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ILLEGAL SELLING

Two Men Fined for Doing a Bottle Business

Keyworker Arrested and Supposed to Have Operated Widely in Lowell—Man Fined $20 for Larceny of Clothing

John J. Mahoney and Harry Gibbons were arraigned before Judge Hadley in police court this morning on complaints charging them with the illegal keeping of liquor with intent to sell the same. Mahoney entered a plea of guilty and after being found guilty was fined $100. Gibbons pleaded not guilty, but was found guilty and a fine of $50 was imposed.

According to the testimony offered, Mahoney and Gibbons have been doing a big "hipping business" during the past few months. Sergt. Thomas R. Atkinson and Philip Dwyer of the liquor squad heard of the business that was being carried on by the pair and after seeing Mahoney make motions indicative of doing an illegal business on several Sundays, went to the room where he was supposed to be living and found that Gibbons was the only man in the room.

When the inspectors entered the place they asked Gibbons if he had any liquor in the room. Gibbons said that he had a little, but that it did not belong to him. He said that the liquor belonged to his roommate, Mahoney, and that while he had been assisting him in the sale of the stuff "he got nothing out of it."

When Sergt. Atkinson and Inspector Dwyer were placed on the stand they testified to several occasions when they saw bottles passed by both Mahoney and Gibbons to other people.

They also stated that after making a search of the place they found forty half pint bottles of whiskey.

The court after considering the evidence found both men guilty and fined Mahoney $100 and Gibbons $50. Mahoney appealed and was placed under bonds for his appearance before the grand jury.

Keyworker Arrested

Inspector John Walsh, of the police department, made a good capture last night when he arrested a man who gave the name of Edward J. Ross. While the police are confident that they have a clever crook in their hands they are also of the opinion that he has given a wrong name.

When Ross was arraigned in court this morning he pleaded guilty to a complaint charging him with the larceny of an overcoat, but inasmuch as the police feel that they can connect him with several other breaks the case was continued till Monday, the defendant being held under $600 bonds for his appearance.

Ross, it is alleged, has been working about Lowell for the past week and visited a number of Greek places in upper Market street. Greek residents notified the police that their places had been entered and money and clothing had been stolen.

The fact that Ross had been noticed in the Greek colony during the past few days resulted in a good description being given the police. Last night Inspector Walsh visited a cheap lodging house in Middlesex street and arrested Ross.

When searched at the police station Ross had a bunch of skeleton keys, and he could not give a good reason why he was carrying them about his person.

When arraigned in court he pleaded guilty to the larceny of an overcoat, the property of Alexander Necopolous.

The disposition of his case was continued until next Monday morning owing to the fact that the police are of the opinion that they can connect him with several other larcenies committed during the week.

From State Farm

Walter J. Ashworth, a parole man from the state farm, will be returned to that institution. Patrick Foley was sentenced to three months in jail. Two first offenders were fined $2 each.

Mansfield Fined $20

George Mansfield, who was arrested a week ago Monday night by Patrolman John Clark and charged with the larceny of clothing from an unknown person, was brought before the police court at a special session held late yesterday afternoon. He had previously pleaded not guilty and the testimony in connection with the case had been offered. Sentence was suspended until the court was able to learn something relative to the man's character. The information received, however, was not of a nature that would cause the court to be lenient and a fine of $20 was imposed.

Prescott hall to let Sat. evenings.

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ALD. WAINWRIGHT

To Build Two New Houses

Politics was not the most important thing that Alderman John W. Wainwright has had in mind for the last few weeks. He was contemplating the building of a better and a stronger foundation in another quarter. With Mr. Wainwright the real estate bee outbuzzes the aldermanic bee and he is about to build two $5000 houses in School street, corner of Marsh street. Each of the houses will be built to accommodate three families and they will be modern and up to date in every respect.

Arthur W. Genest has been granted a permit to build a small stable at 12 Quimby avenue.

Lamps, shades, fixtures, Welch Bros.

BIG RACE TRACK

TO BE SOLD WITHIN NEXT THREE WEEKS

CINCINNATI Dec. 17.—Cincinnati racing men say the Latonia track will be sold within the next three weeks, though some of them are not sanguine as to the time for the proposed deal. At any rate they say that the Cellas, Rhinock and Myers people have decided it would be advisable to sell.

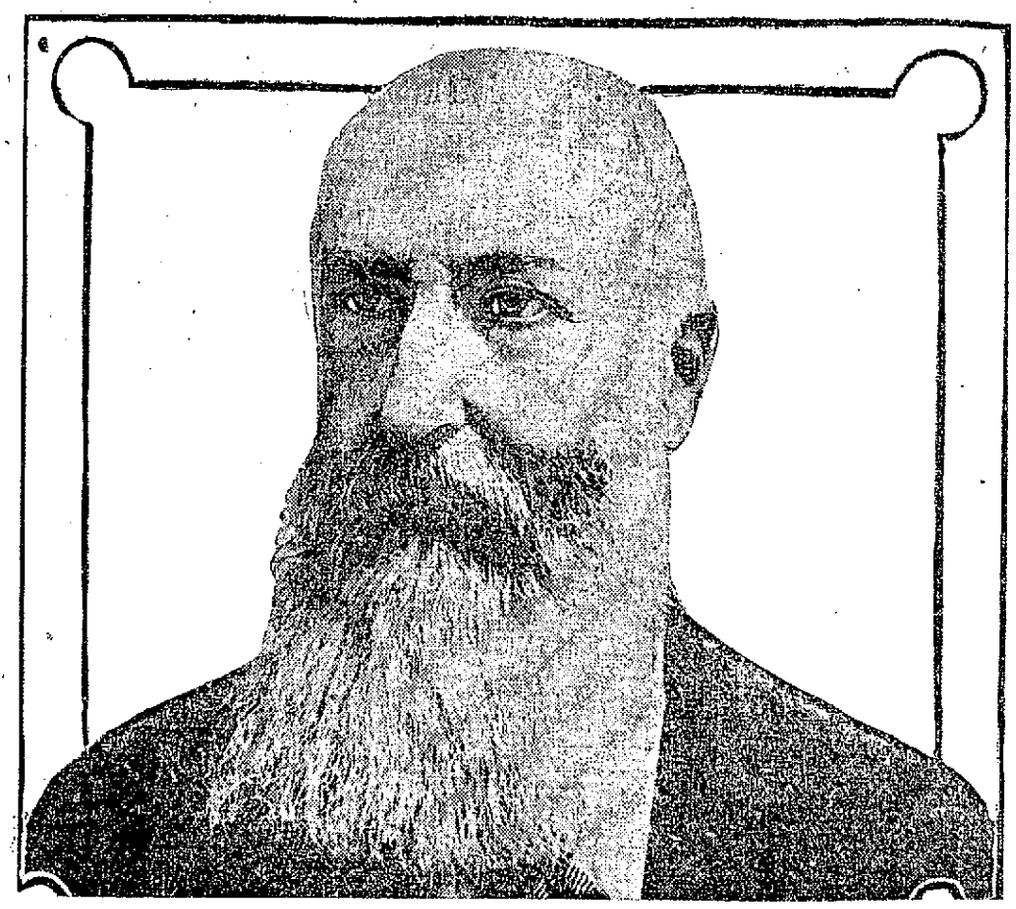
This will be done by a syndicate which will cut up the grounds into lots and dispose of them.

Coughs—No matter how bad—can be relieved at once with Lung Kuro.

INDIA RUBBER IMPORTS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—More India rubber has been imported into the United States during the past year than has ever before been recorded by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor. During the ten months ending with October the importations of India rubber, including balata, gutta percha and gutta jolateng reached the record total of 82,000,000 pounds.

KING IS DEAD



The Late Leopold II., King of the Belgians.

Leopold, Ruler of Belgium, Passed Away

BRUSSELS, Dec. 17.—King Leopold died at 2.35 this morning, his aged and wasted body being unable to stand the strain put upon it. The collapse occurred suddenly and at a moment when the doctors seemingly had had the greatest hopes for his recovery.

Throughout yesterday bulletins were issued from the sick room indicating progressive improvement. The bulletin posted at 6.30 p. m. gave the king's temperature, pulse and respiration as practically normal. Apparently the drainage of the wound was good for no fever was present, and during the day the king was able to take nourishment.

The public at large was satisfied that the king was on the road to recovery, but within the pavilion, where the king lay, there was a feeling of anxiety, chiefly because of Leopold's great age. After a restful day, the patient was able to sleep for a brief time early in the evening, and the night passed quietly. But towards 2 o'clock alarming symptoms appeared. Suddenly the king turned and calcid to Dr. Thiriar: "J'etouff, docteur; J'etouffe!" (I am suffocating.)

Dr. De Page was summoned and two physicians did everything possible to prolong his life, but without avail. The end came quickly and after a spell of weakness, peacefully. Prince Albert arrived at the death bed about 25 minutes later. He was accompanied by Princess Clementine. Albert kissed the dead king and left the chamber weeping. Baron Goffinet, the king's secretary, started immediately for Brussels to notify the members of the royal family. As he was entering his motor car, he exclaimed:

"To think that only yesterday we were still full of confidence, and now the king is dead."

It appears that the doctors were to-

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MAN FOUND DEAD

George W. Hamblett Died in His Shop on Smith Street

George W. Hamblett, who has conducted a shoemaking shop at 20 Smith street for a great many years, was found dead in that place about 11.30 o'clock this morning by Prosper Jones and Philip Gibson, employes of the Conway Transfer Co., whose stable is close by.

Mr. Hamblett, though advanced in years, was apparently in the best of health when he reached his place of business this morning. About 11.30 o'clock a boy entered the place and found the old man lying face downward on the floor. Being frightened at the sight he rushed into the stable of the Conway Transfer Co. and Messrs. Jones and Gibson went to the shop and found that Hamblett was dead.

Dr. H. H. Sumner was notified, but when he arrived an examination showed that Hamblett had been dead for some time.

The deceased resided at 12 Leroy street and is survived by a wife and family.

REP. BROUSSARD

BADLY BURNED AT HIS WIFE'S MOTHER'S HOUSE

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 17.—Congressman Robert F. Broussard of Louisiana was severely burned at the home of his wife's mother yesterday. His dressing gown caught fire from a grate and Mr. Broussard sustained serious burns about the body and shoulders. Mrs. Broussard in her efforts to tear the blazing garment from her husband was burned about the hands and arms.

GEN'L SUTTON DEAD

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 17.—Major General Walter F. Sutton, who fought under Grant at Vicksburg and marched to the sea with Sherman, died here yesterday. He was born at Herkimer, N. Y., entered the Union army with Wisconsin volunteers and practiced medicine for many years at Lacrosse, Wis. Death resulted from a fall.

GIFT OF GOLD

Was Presented to Rev. Fr. Walsh

Nearly 800 parishioners of St. Patrick's church, Roxbury, assembled in that edifice Wednesday night to attend the weekly meeting of the Married Women's sodality, for they knew that an interesting event was to take place.

The outcome of the plans was in every way as pleasing as had been anticipated, and Fr. Thomas A. Walsh, who for nearly a score of years had been attached to the parish, was no doubt the happiest of all in the company.

Several weeks ago he was selected by Archbishop O'Connell to take charge of a new parish in Collinsville, and the well known clergyman left almost immediately following the announcement of his appointment. For many years Fr. Walsh had been the spiritual director of the sodality which met Wednesday night, and by the parishioners generally, he had been held in the highest esteem.

During nearly 20 years in their midst he had been very close to them, and it was determined that the clergyman should not leave without some appreciable remembrance, so a very substantial present in gold was arranged. Fr. Walsh was invited to go to Roxbury Wednesday evening and then escorted to the church.

Fr. James F. Regan, who has succeeded Fr. Walsh as director of the sodality, officiated at the regular services, and at their close Fr. Joseph H. Gallagher, the pastor, came from the vestry with Fr. Walsh and the pastor delivered the address of presentation. He spoke of the long years Fr. Walsh had been with him and of the valuable assistance he had given during the long time he had been a priest of the parish.

Fr. Gallagher presented Fr. Walsh the gift of the people and a response that was full of deep feeling was made by Fr. Walsh. He was affected by the kindness of those among whom he had been a clergyman so long, and extended them his heartiest wishes for a successful future.

Following the ceremony many of those at the services had the opportunity of meeting Fr. Walsh personally and expressing their kind regards for him. They extended to him wishes for all success in his new parish.

RECOUNT TALK

Charles Hartwell Makes Study of Tally Sheets

And Says He Does Not Believe That Any Mistake Has Been Made in the Count—The Vote is Regular Throughout

No petitions for recounts had been filed at the city clerk's office up to the noon hour today. They will be filed this afternoon. The petitioners have until 5 o'clock this evening. The board of registrars will meet at that hour. Notices of the recounts will be sent out after the meeting and the recount will begin at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

It is not expected that any material changes will be made as a result of the recount. Charles Hartwell, who is an expert on election figures, has gone over the tally sheets in the city clerk's office. He says that the number of mistakes discovered were few and he did not discover any mistakes at all in the vote for mayor and purchasing agent. "The vote was consistent throughout," said Mr. Hartwell. In precinct two of ward three I discovered a block of 51 instead of 50, and that doesn't amount to anything.

"The story of the lost block of 50 in precinct one of ward five is absurd to say the least. In that precinct there are 387 names listed and there were 344 votes cast. With these facts and figures staring you in the face you would have to figure some to show a loss of 50."

Mr. Hartwell went over the tally sheets very carefully and these are the mistakes he found:

Ward 3, precinct 1, Connors, 168, not 166; ward 3, precinct 2, mayor's vote, one ballot uncertain; ward 3, precinct 2, Welch 82, not 79; ward 3, precinct 3, Connors, 133, not 132; ward 4, precinct 1, Rountree 274, not 279; ward 4, precinct 5, Adams, 168, not 167; Carmichael, 404, not 403; Gallagher, 369, not 370; ward 5, precinct 2, Brennen, 343, not 344; ward 7, precinct 2, Wainwright, 243, not 233; ward 7, precinct 3, Lyons, 194, not 214; Qua, 348, not 338; ward 8, precinct 1, Byam, 396, not 394; Carmichael 256, not 275; ward 8, precinct 3, Gallagher, 224, not 228; ward 9, precinct 1, Qua, 211, not 208.

"There was something I noticed while going over the sheets" said Mr. Hartwell, "that is worthy of mention. All the nine aldermen elected carried ward seven, so that if the votes of the other wards were not considered at all the same nine aldermen would have been elected."

MATRIMONIAL

Mr. L. Arthur Mansell and Miss Elizabeth H. Hogg, both of this city, were united in marriage Wednesday by Rev. N. W. Matthews, at his home, 16 Ellsworth street.

WILSON—OGDEN

Mr. Percy L. Wilson and Miss Emma Ogden were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ogden, 347 High street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Eugene deF. Heald, rector of the House of Prayer.

The bride was very becomingly dressed in white Shangtung, with princesse lace, and carried white chrysanthemums. A reception followed the ceremony, about 30 of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson attending. The D. L. Page company catered. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson received many beautiful gifts. They left for a wedding tour during the evening. After February 1st they will be at home to friends at 222 High street.

Travelers' dance, Prescott, tonight.

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35c	Perfume Atomizer	19c
50c	Hay's Hair Health	31c
50c	Father John's	31c
50c	Senna Leaves, 1 lb.	31c
50c	Comp. Licorice Powder, 1 lb	29c
75c	Dows' Hair Restorer	49c
75c	Dows' Emulsion	49c
75c	Syrup Hypophosphites	50c
75c	Flash Lights	47c
$1.00	Cooper's Discovery	83c
$1.00	Herpicide	55c
$1.00	Father John's	69c
$1.00	Hot Water Bottles	63c
$2.50	Razors (all kinds)	97c
$2.00	Razor Strops	97c
$2.00	Reborn Shoulder Brace	$1.00
	Manicure Sets, real ebony,	$1.08 to $4.80
	Toilet Sets	83c to $10.80
	Huyler's Chocolates,	30c to 80c
	Military Brushes	90c pr. up
	Fountain Pens	68c to $2.50
	Fountain Syringes,	49c to $1.75
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WHIPPET RACING

The Poor Man's "Race Horse" and His Ways

As Lowell has many whippets and more whippet fanciers, an article in this week's Collier's Weekly entitled "The Poor Man's Race Horse," will be read with interest. It is as follows:

Silverheels was a thoroughbred of mixed blood. In other words, she was that canine paradox, a whippet—the fleetest animal on four feet, the joy of a Yorkshireman's heart and the pride of his household.

From puppyhood her favorite game was a chase. Anything offered an excuse. It might be a bit of paper tossed on the breeze which with some difficulty penetrated to the back yard of the weaver's cottage where she lived, or it might be the shadow of a cloud passing between earth and sun. She was a clumsy puppy, with legs disproportionately long for her slender body, and a snakelike tail, which, when her attention was attracted, she tucked carefully out of harm's way between her legs. Her muzzle grew long and sharp and her coat was short and glossy and fawn-colored. At five months old, when her serious education began, Silverheels was to all intents and purposes a replica in miniature of an English greyhound. There were the long racing lines in every inch of her anatomy, although accentuated, the slender, strong toes, the soft, well-developed foot cushion, the slim body, and beyond all, the long legs, so thin that apparently a man might snap them between thumb and finger, yet muscular and sinewy even in lanky youth and giving due promise for the future.

"'Tis true Tip began to learn," said her master to a companion who came with him one day to the back yard to look at the pup and her mother. To the world at large she was always Silverheels, but to her intimates she bore another name, suggested by the spot of white on her tail.

"Oh aye," replied the stranger. "She's right for it now; and, if I know a whippet, she's a keen one."

Thereafter Silverheels' world broadened. Every morning while her owner waited for his breakfast, and every evening after the day's work in the weaveshop was at an end, they played together at games she liked. The master shook a towel in her face, and, catching it in her teeth, she would cling with the tenacity of seasoned glue. It was thus that she showed her mettle and the ancestry which lay back of her grip.

With the advent of the new era for Silverheels she found herself the favored companion of her master in long walks of a Sunday or holiday. Sometimes on these outings she ran free, while at others she adorned the end of a leash, tugging lustily for all of the five or six miles covered, developing her muscles until presently her flanks presented the appearance of a tangle of fine twine. Sometimes on the Sunday walks Silverheels and her master would meet other men and dogs. Such a meeting led to her first race.

A long level stretch of macadam highway furnished the course. An Englishman with a dog no older than Silverheels, but somewhat heavier, gave the challenge, which her master accepted, and the two betook themselves down the street a distance of a hundred and fifty yards, leaving their dogs in the hands of strangers. The man who held Silverheels was no stranger to her, but she detested him cordially. Held tightly by the nape of the neck and the tail, the dogs at the start had no opportunity to display dislikes. Accordingly they kept their eyes fixed on the men down the street.

Of a sudden at the crack of a pistol Silverheels felt herself pitched forward. A little way off her master was calling to her, waving madly a big colored handkerchief with which she had been accustomed to play. She recovered her footing and ran as she had not run before, with her rival at her side. She put forth an extra effort, and in an unappreciable moment the other dog's nose was at her shoulder; another spurt and she had lost him. Now the rag was just ahead, and now she clutched it and hung on like grim death, while her master reached for the stakes.

"Eh, man, but she's a fast one," remarked the onlookers, crowding around with their congratulations.

Racing Holidays

Memorial day is the first of the four great whippet racing festivals in that portion of the country where the sport flourishes. It is the earliest mill holiday bringing suitable weather, and it is English mill employes who are at the same time the devotees and the promoters of the sport. The Fourth of July is the second racing day of importance, Labor day comes next, and if good weather holds the season closes with a grand flourish on Thanksgiving.

The whippet has fairly won its reputation of being the fleetest four-footed animal used for racing. Although in appearance a pocket edition of a greyhound, it has more of other blood than of greyhound in its veins. Weighing up to twenty-eight pounds, it can in its best representatives cover two hundred and twenty yards in twelve seconds, rather better than the time of the swiftest thoroughbred horse, and at the rate of forty-five miles an hour.

It was in the north of England that the breed and the sport originated. In Yorkshire and Lancashire handicaps are held every year which draw three to four hundred entries, and thousands of spectators crowd around the tracks to see the little dogs run. In America whippet racing is of comparatively recent date, fifteen or twenty years at the outside, and beyond the circles of Englishmen has made slow headway. It is noticeable, however, that more bench-shows every year provide for whippet classes.

This fact is the more remarkable because the secret of whippet breeding lies in the commingling of widely separated blood. Mate a greyhound and a bulldog, and the chances are that the resultant litter will show more of the hound than of the bull. Pick the best of the lot and breed the second time, either with a fox or an Irish terrier, and if the offspring threatens to be overweight, breed in cousin to cousin, or closer. It takes four years at the lowest calculation to get a whippet by this process, but the result can not be duplicated in the world.

From the greyhound come the fleetness of foot and the fine lines which go with speed; from the bull there are the pluck and tenacity which refuse to recognize defeat, and from the terrier the snap and "go" which make a dog "keen," as the fanciers put it. This process of breeding is not practised to any large extent on this side of the water. In the great centers of the sport in the United States, the mill villages of Rhode Island, Fall River, Lowell, and a few places in New Jersey, whippets will continue to be bred from whippets until it is found desirable to obtain a larger infusion of the vim of the small terrier or the grit of the bulldog.

Many dogs begin racing before they are a year old. If a man thinks he has a champion, however, he will hold it back from hard training until about fifteen months. The first lesson the young dogs receive is following a towel their master trails in front of them. They are taught to cling steadfastly when once they have set their teeth into it. By the time they are mature enough to undergo training for handicap races, the little fellows have learned pretty well from occasional scratch meetings what is expected of them. Preliminary to the maiden race for a prize, however, comes a season of arduous preparation. During the first week the dogs are purged with physics, fed on a combination of pig's feet and other ingredients made into a jelly, and after the morning road-work each day have a bath and are rubbed down and blanketed. Their feet receive the most careful attention during this period, since it is on their condition that success largely depends.

This procedure is followed up to the day of the race. Early morning trials are held between friends in the secrecy of some remote spot, away from the followers of the dogs, who are always on the lookout for tips.

In a handicap race there may be any number of dogs entered for a single prize, the running being done in relays of four. The list will include whippets ranging in size all the way from five or six pounds up to twenty-eight (anything above the latter figure being looked on with extreme disfavor), and in age they will range from under twelve months up to eight or nine years—for a few will keep in the game up to the very edge of doddering senility. Handicapping is a delicate business, to be handled by an expert. It is subject to many considerations. If possible, one scratch dog is put in every relay of four, although in a big field this can not often be done. One rule is to give a dog under twelve months old the greatest possible advantage, and to handicap four feet for every month above twelve up to a certain limit.

The course in America is generally two hundred yards long and ten feet wide. This gives room for four dogs running abreast. When all is ready the runners-up, who are always the owners, take their positions two-thirds of the way down the track, the slippers holding the entrants at the starting line. At a word from the starters the runners-up race down the course, and when all are across a line ten yards from the finish the pistol is fired and away go the whippets, each heading straight for its master, who is now at the end of the track yelling like a fiend and waving his towel up and down. As they pass under the wire the dogs jump for the towels, and are usually swung clear of the ground by their own impetus.

The Art of Slipping

Afield of forty starters means ten relays, and the winning dog must cover the course at least three times before he reads his title clear. Slipping is an art by itself. Some slippers hold the dog by the scruff of the neck and the tail close to the body, and at the pistol shot lose it ahead as far as they can. The skill with which an experienced whippet will catch its stride after being thus unceremoniously handled is marvelous. Some dogs, however, have difficulty in learning the art of managing their legs when slipped thus, so that while this style of starting may be good for several feet for one racer it confuses and proves impracticable for another.

Promising whippets command comparatively high prices in the communities where the little dogs are raced. The owner of Orphan Boy, a Providence dog, for instance, refused an offer of $250. Orphan Boy was so successful later that he was barred from open handicaps. Little Bobs, Red of Stone, Boudicca and Hunt's Mary are other animals whose names are as well known in whippet circles as are those of Maud S. and Lou Dillon in the harness-racing world.

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The Famous Chateau Gloves at $1.50 a Pair

Made from the best French Kid in all the new fancy colorings and embroideries. Shades of tan, gray, biscuit, black or white.

The Celebrated Marvel Gloves at $1.75 and $2.00 a Pair

Overseam and Pique stitching. The colors are warranted to wash satisfactorily and the black are perspiration proof.

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COME SATURDAY FOR RAINPROOF UMBRELLAS

MEN'S OR WOMEN'S

$1.00, $1.50 and $2.00 Each

These prices cover the range of Silks—Glorias and American Taffetas—one of the prettiest assortments of handles ever gathered, including the fashionable mission handles in Directoire styles. Several pretty handles with silver or gold tips, bone or natural handles, in straight or crook styles. Good ideas to provide for a rainy day by presenting your friend an umbrella.

O'Donnell Dry Goods Co.

KING IS DEAD

Continued

tally unprepared for such a fatal termination. It was a nun, acting as a nurse, who first noticed the heavy breathing of the king. She called Dr. Thirlar to the bedside. Both Drs. Thirlar and De Page resorted to injections of morphine, but this had no effect.

Shortly after the end had come, the ministers were notified, the first official to arrive in the death chamber being the royal chaplain. The ministers remained in the chamber for a considerable time, discussing the sudden death and matters of state in subdued tones.

Leopold II, king of the Belgians, son of the late King Leopold I, upon whose death, which occurred Dec. 10, 1865, he succeeded to the throne, was born at Brussels April 9, 1835. His father was the former Prince of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, and his mother, Princess Louise, daughter of King Louis Phillippe of France. On Aug. 22, 1853, he married the Arch Duchess Marie Henriette, daughter of Arch Duke Joseph of Austria. She died Sept. 19, 1902. Three daughters were born of this union, Louise, Stephanie and Clementine. The two elder princesses have been estranged from their father, but Clementine remained in his affections.

There being no direct hereditary heir, the crown passes to Prince Albert, the only son of Leopold's brother, the late Phillippe, Count of Flanders. The new monarch was born April 8, 1875, and on Oct. 2, 1900, married Princess Elizabeth of Bavaria. They have three children, Prince Leopold, eight years of age; Prince Charles, six years old, and Princess Marie-Jose, who was born on Aug. 4, 1906.

Prince Albert is one of the most popular members of the reigning house of Belgium. His wife is equally popular, their home life being such as to attract the admiration and love of the people. Prince Albert has traveled extensively and is a man of affairs. In appearance he is strikingly like the late king, but their dispositions and temperaments have always been in marked contrast. Prince Albert has been a great student of politics and economics and has frequently lectured on these subjects in public. To broaden his grasp of the affairs of the world, he visited the United States and other countries, always studying and always adding to his store of knowledge and philosophy.

There is another side to the new king which appeals to popular fancy. He dearly loves clean and healthy sport. He is an accomplished horseman, enjoys motoring and has taken a flight or two in a dirigible balloon.

In his intercourse with others he is most gracious. His frank, good natured face bespeaks intelligence and invites confidence. Democratic in his tastes and manners, he is, nevertheless, a man of firm decision and kingly dignity.

While always conspicuous before the public on account of the nature of his private life, particularly in recent years, King Leopold latterly had much of the world against him on account of his attitude towards the Congo Independent State. His greatest interest lay in the development of that country, for he was practically the founder of it and was its ruling sovereign. The Congo Free State in western Africa was recognized and defined by the conference of European powers at Berlin in 1885. It was the successor of the International African association, established by Leopold and organized by Stanley. In that year Leopold was constituted its ruler. By will, dated Aug. 2, 1889, he bequeathed to Belgium the right to annex the Congo State after a period of ten years. The conduct of the government of that state resulted in a fierce dispute of world wide dimensions and a demand that a concert of European powers interpose in the alleged interest of humanity. On Nov. 15, 1908, Belgium formally assumed control of the state, and since then efforts at reform have been inaugurated, but not carried out in an entirely satisfactory manner.

Criticisms against King Leopold in this matter are said to have shattered the buoyant spirits of the sovereign, although it was only in private that he gave expression to these feelings. He was proud of the work that had been accomplished in that territory and at Antwerp made a remarkable speech in which he said the annexation of the Congo Independent State was the greatest satisfaction of his life. He declared that Congo would play a most important part in the expansion of Belgium. It was because of his wholesouled interest in the development of the Congo in connection with the progress of Belgium that his own people in a measure overlooked the atrocities which were alleged against him.

King Leopold was regarded as one of the shrewdest and ablest men of the times. He was essentially a man of business, cold, reticent and calculating. He was of particularly independent spirit, and more than once is said to have told other sovereigns who attempted to advise him in connection with his private affairs to mind their own business. For this reason he became estranged from many of the courts of Europe.

Baroness Vaughan, who is said to have been the king's morganatic wife, occupied a chateau close to the pavilion where Leopold died. She is the daughter of parents of the name of Delacroix, who were concierges, or janitors, first at Liege and afterwards in Paris. Her mother is dead and her father is an inmate of an asylum for the insane. She is the mother of two children.

King Leopold spent a great deal of his time with the baroness, and gave his ministers much concern on this account. At one time there was talk of his abdication, but, as months went by, his subjects apparently became accustomed to his ways, and abdication became a thing of the past.

King Leopold's recent illness dated from about two weeks ago when he was compelled to take to his bed, suffering with rheumatism. It was thought at the time that he had a stroke of apoplexy, for he was paralyzed on one side, and the paralysis seemingly spread over his entire body. His confinement brought about intestinal obstruction, for which an operation was performed on Tuesday, and it was feared then that his age would prevent ultimate recovery.

One of the most powerful men in Belgium, who knows King Leopold better than any other man, is Senator Winer, the king's trusted friend and confidential legal adviser. He assisted Leopold in drawing up the Congo project, and probably will manage the disposition of the king's fortune.

Senator Winer welcomed The Associated Press correspondent most cordially last night, some hours before the king's death, as he stood in the library of his home, a stone's throw from the American legation. He pictured the king's great admiration for the United States, which his majesty was anxious to visit but was prevented from doing by the Congo criticism. However, the king prevailed on Prince Albert to go, because he considered this a most useful preparation for the future ruler of Belgium.

The king had a marked respect for Theodore Roosevelt. He never liked photographs around, but placed President Roosevelt's autograph pictures in his favorite office in the Brussels palace, beside those of Princess Clementine and Prince Albert.

The senator went on:

"The king is a slave to work and business. It is a fact that 15 minutes before the operation, he dictated documents relating to certain negotiations, and insisted before going under chloroform upon correcting the typewritten sheets. It was this marvelous intellect and doggedness which conceived the Congo project. He lost money at first but emerged rich.

"The whole trouble in the Congo," Senator Winer continued, "was that the system was bad—worse than the king thought. The eternal cry was 'Rubber, and yet more rubber'; and it must be remembered that the military commanders in the Congo had the double capacity of soldier and merchant; they had to get rubber. Nevertheless, many of the stories of abuse are absolutely untrue."

The senator championship King Leopold as the great benefactor of Belgium. He had developed cities and erected monuments and public buildings at his own expense. He had supported architecture and advanced the prosperity of the people. The senator did not care to say much of the king's private life. Perhaps, he suggested, the king had not been a good father, but his character in later life was explained by the fact that in youth he was held in check and ruled with a rod of iron by the old king. The stories of the king's gallantries, he added, had been absurdly exaggerated.

Sentiment in Brussels has taken a new turn, and the people are heatedly occupied with the question of the position of Baroness Vaughan in the royal household, as the result of a sensational article published in the Soir. The paper charges that Baroness Vaughan was constantly at the bedside of the king, even being present when Extreme Unction was administered, whereas the king's daughters and his nephew were not admitted. The question was put by the Soir to Monsignor Cooreman, the venerable royal chaplain, if the king married Baroness Vaughan according to the provisions of the religious ceremony, adding that all Belgium was astonished and scandalized that the church would sanction the presence of the woman near the king's couch while the priest was busied with his sacred mission.

The chaplain intimated that the marriage exists and said that his conscience was clear about the visit to the king. The church's code of morals, he added, was the same for the king as for the people and, in conclusion, he said:

"From the standpoint of the church, the king's situation is regular."

KING'S DEATH

CAME AS SHOCK TO PEOPLE OF LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Although in view of his advanced age there was little expectation of ultimate recovery, the news of King Leopold's death came as a shock in its unexpectedness, all the latest reports from Brussels having had a hopeful air of possible recovery. This possibility was strongly reflected on the stock exchange yesterday in the firmness of American and South African securities in which it is believed Leopold had large holdings, and there is little doubt that today will witness a corresponding depression, in anticipation of the probability that large blocks of securities will be thrown on the market when the time comes to realize on the king's estate.

The word of the king's death reached London too late for anything but a bare mention in second editions of the morning papers. The despatches from Brussels concerned mostly reports that Leopold was secretly married to Baroness Vaughan, it being taken for granted that an immediate fatal issue was unlikely. At the same time considerable comment was aroused by the laconic character of the official bulletins and the general air of secrecy which was maintained on the technical side regarding the king's illness.

No details were given out by the attending physicians which would enable a medical man, much less a layman, to form any opinion of the real nature of the malady, while rumors were not wanting that the operation was only partly carried out, the patient's extreme weakness compelling the surgeons hurriedly to curtail their work for fear of a collapse.

King Edward, through the legation at Brussels, made daily inquiries regarding King Leopold's condition and the reports which he received were quite as favorable as those given out to the public.

It is recalled that the report that the king and Baroness Vaughan had been morganatically married in 1906 was officially denied at the time and speculation is busy whether the alleged marriage was an actual death bed ceremony.

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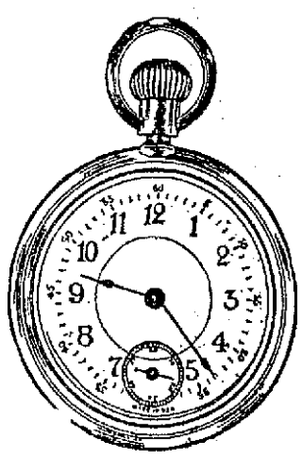

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For your BOY with every purchase of $5.00—in our Boys' Dept.

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Fifteen Dollars

Late delivery is responsible for the special price we name on five styles of Young Men's "Presto Collar" Overcoats. They are nobby Coats in the new gray fancy stripes and are worth more money, but to move them quickly we mark these late arrivals - - - - - - - - - $15

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CRUSHED TO DEATH

Man Killed in Elevator Accident in Providence

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 17.—Alexi Guilmette, 28, was caught and crushed to death between the wall of an elevator well and the lift itself in the R. L. Rose company's store late yesterday afternoon. The victim's body released, dropped to the foot of the well, some 20 feet. It is thought Guilmette looked out in passing the first floor and was caught and crushed before he could draw back. His head and chest were terribly crushed. He lived at 113 Summer street, Central Falls, was a baker by occupation and worked in the store where he was killed. He was going to work on the fifth floor at the time.

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BUST OF POPE

Was Presented to Bishop Walsh

ROME, Dec. 17.—Bishop Walsh of Portland, Me. left today for France where he will spend Christmas day. Before leaving he was presented by the pontiff with a bust of his holiness which is to become the possession of the Portland diocese.

INJURIES FATAL

Man Said Good Bye to His Mates

MADISON, Me., Dec. 17.—Saying "Good-bye, boys" to his fellow employes in the paper mill of the Hollingswell & Whitney company when he realized his fate, James Perkins, aged 23, was drawn through a nine-inch space by a shaft on which his clothing had caught and was so severely injured that he died today. He leaves a wife and one child.

Portable gas lamps, Welch Bros.

THE LEGISLATURE

TAKES A HAND IN THE SYDNEY STRIKE

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 17.—Business has been so demoralized by the coal strike that the legislature today took the drastic step of passing a bill rendering both strike leaders and employers who instigate or aid a strike or lockout liable to a year's imprisonment.

THE PILGRIM MONUMENT

PROVINCETOWN, Dec. 17.—The Pilgrim monument on Town hill where at the laying of the cornerstone on Aug. 10, 1907, President Roosevelt shook the financial centres of the country with a scathing speech, is completed and waits its dedication at the hands of President Taft. The exercises are expected to be held next August and President Taft has already signified his willingness to slip across Massachusetts bay from his summer home in Beverly. It is also planned to have President Emeritus Eliot of Harvard deliver the historical address. The tall beacon is now one of the most prominent landmarks on Cape Cod.

The Thompson Hardware Co. suggests for a good sensible present, a good carving knife and fork; nothing better.

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"Four years ago I suffered severely with a terrible eczema, being a mass of sores from head to feet and for six weeks confined to my bed. During that time I suffered continual torture from itching and burning. After being given up by my doctor I was advised to try the Cuticura Remedies. After the first bath with Cuticura Soap and application of Cuticura Ointment I enjoyed the first good sleep during my entire illness. I also used Cuticura Resolvent and the treatment was continued for about three weeks. At the end of that time I was able to be about the house, entirely cured, and have felt no ill effects since. I would advise any person suffering from any form of skin trouble to try the Cuticura Remedies as I know what they did for me. Mrs. Edward Nenning, 203 Main St., Watertown, N. Y., April 11, 1909."

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Soothing, Cooling, Refreshing for Tender Skins.

Because of its delicate, emollient, sanative, antiseptic properties derived from Cuticura, united with the purest of saponaceous ingredients and most refreshing of flower odors, Cuticura Soap is unrivalled for cleansing, preserving and purifying the skin, scalp, hair and hands, for dispelling itching, irritation and inflammation and preventing clogging of the pores, the cause of many disfiguring facial eruptions. All who delight in a clear skin, soft, white hands, a clean, wholesome scalp and live, glossy hair, will find that Cuticura Soap realizes every expectation.

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A most practical article for a man. Complete Smoking Sets on a stand, which can be moved from place to place. Made in Silver, Brass, Bronze, etc., $3.00 to $15.00

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Brush, Comb and other toilet and Manicure pieces in beautiful compact leather roll. Finest quality, genuine ebony brushes and well made, serviceable rolls, $3.00 to $15.00

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STATE ARMORY

Scene of Boxing and Wrestling Bouts

The state armory in Westford street was the scene of a very pleasant gathering last evening. The occasion was an informal smoker and field supper by Company G.

After the close of the drill period at 9 o'clock the men adjourned to the mess hall and enjoyed a menu of cold meats, baked beans, crackers and cheese, coffee, etc. At the conclusion of the supper the members of the company and their guests witnessed the rest of the entertainment in the company rooms.

There were three boxing and two wrestling bouts. The boxing bouts were between Private O'Brien and Corp. Hanahan, Corp. Keeler and Private Reardon, and Privates Scobie and McLellan.

The first wrestling bout was between Private O'Brien and Corp. Hanahan. They went seven minutes, when O'Brien got a winning hold on his superior officer and secured a fall. The second match was between Private Brick and Artificer Hudson. After ten minutes of hard work O'Brien secured a fall and was declared the winner.

Sergt. Cornelius Barnes was referee for the various athletic events, and Privates Barnes and Crowell were the timers.

Then there was singing by individuals and by the company, with Private Hurd at the piano. Capt. Walter R. Joyes was the director of the program, and the affair was under the auspices of the following committee: First Lieut. Doyle, Second Lieut. Mottram, Sergt. C. Barnes, Corp. Church, Corp. Hudson.

MONTHLY MEETING

OF THE PAIGE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

The monthly meeting and social of the Paige Street Free Baptist church was held last night. Supper was served during the early part of the evening, after which an entertainment program was carried out. The first number was a dialogue entitled "That Postal Card," a very laughable one act sketch, dwelling on village gossip in a country town. The cast in this sketch included: Mrs. Grace Donaldson, Miss Georgia Libby, Miss Viola Marshall and Mr. W. A. Chase.

Another very catchy sketch was given, entitled "The Old Aunt's Visit to the City." Those who took part in this were Miss Mildred Chapman, Miss Florence Knowlton, Miss Belle Libby and Miss Lu Berry. Other numbers on the program were piano solos by Miss Edith Saunders, and songs by Mrs. N. S. Phillips.

The women having charge of the supper were: Mrs. Fred Bascom, chairman, assisted by Mrs. B. R. Harris, Mrs. W. H. Upham, Mrs. Fred Munn, Mrs. French, Mrs. Milton Daggett, Mrs. S. G. Pillsbury, Mrs. W. H. Cross, Mrs. Grace Donaldson and Mrs. W. A. Chase.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Last night in the lower town hall a whist party was held by the members of the North Chelmsford fire department. Promptly at 8.30 o'clock progressive whist was started, 18 tables being used, and continued until 10 o'clock. After whist, coffee and cake were served by the members. The following prizes were awarded: first prize for the highest number of points scored went to J. W. Whiteworth, a traveling bag, donated by Macartney's Clothing Co.; lady's first prize, Mrs. Lavelle, toilet set, donated by the members of the fire department; first gentleman's prize, umbrella, Samuel Ogley, donated by the Merrimack Clothing Co.; lady's second prize, Mrs. Alice Miner, cuff links, donated by the Talbot Clothing Co.; gentleman's second prize, John Finnegan, electric hair brush, donated by Goodale's Drug Co.; lady's booby prize, Mrs. Sadie Potter; gent's booby prize, Mr. McNichols. The committee in charge was James Leahey, chairman; James Gookin, Henry Miner, assistants; Fred Gandette, secretary, and James Kershaw, treasurer.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wishes to express his sincere thanks to his many friends and neighbors for their acts of kindness, words of condolence and floral offerings, during the illness and on the death of his beloved wife, Elizabeth Buzzell.

(Signed) D. J. Buzzell.

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Lowell, Friday, December 17, 1909.

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We claim to have the very best gloves that you can buy for the money. Gloves that are bound to give the worth of satisfaction which you have been taught to expect from this store. This is an unusually good year to buy kid gloves, for with the advent of the new tariff, gloves such as we offer for a dollar, are liable to be marked a full third more. While we've so planned that we can take care of all who may come for Glove Gifts between now and Christmas, it will be more comfortable for you today.

One Woman's Bathrobe Costing—?

The query goes down on dozens of Christmas lists. Good gifts for invalids, mothers, daughters, sisters and grandmothers.

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Pique Sewn Gloves, in black, tan, green, blues, black and white, one colored stitching .....$1.00 a Pair

One Clasp Heavy Cape Gloves, in all the good shades of tan, $1.00 a Pair

One Clasp Chamois Gloves, in white or natural shades, $1.00 a Pair

One Clasp Mocha Gloves, in gray and brown .....$1.00 a Pair

Also a large selection of Gloves for the very little folks, pique sewn, in the different shades of tan, at $1.00 a Pair

Children's Wool Lined Mochas, in brown and gray, at.....$1.00 a Pair

Ladies' Gloves For $1.25 a Pair

Kid Gloves, with Paris point embroidery, in all the popular shades of tan and gray, at ....$1.25 a Pair

Pique Sewn Gloves, with heavy three row embroidery, black, white, tan and green, at.....$1.25 a Pair

Ladies' Gloves For $1.50 a Pair

Real Kid Gloves, in all the different shades of tans and grays, fancy or plain stitching, 2 or 3 clasps, $1.50 a Pair

Two Clasp Real Kid Pique Gloves, in black, white, mode, tan, brown and gray, at $1.50

Heavy Cape Gloves, one clasp, in tan or gray, at .....$1.50 a Pair

Mochas in gray and brown, one clasp, silk lined .....$1.50 a Pair

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Children's Umbrellas, 20, 22 and 24 inches at ..50c, 75c, 98c and $1.50

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One Quire Holiday Boxes, from 19c Upwards

Fancy Boxes with linen paper at 50c, 59c, 65c and 75c

Cabinet Boxes 2, 3 and 4 tiers, 59c, 89c and $1.25

Elaborate Boxes, filled with the highest grade of paper, from $1.50 to $3.50

A full showing of seals, cards, tags, etc.

West Section North Aisle

Dolls

Bought that Doll yet?

Time to be about it—this collection is by far the largest we've ever had to offer you. The "Most Beautifullest" dollies ever seen in Lowell. Not high in price either.

Dressed dolls.....25c to $5.00

A special at $1.50, with the newest Parisian costume and millinery.

Undressed Dolls, all prices up to $3.50

Rag Dollies at 25c, 39c, 50c and 75c

Palmer St. Centre Aisle

Toys

A little more practical than the simply-to-entertain sort.

Flexible Flyers, the sled that steers .....$2.50 to $4.50

New Flyers—they steer too— $1.50 to $2.75

Wagons, 50c, $1.00, $1.50, $1.75, $2.98, $3.75 and $3.98.

Wheelbarrows, 25c, 50c, 75c and $1

Boys' Sleds, 33c, 49c, 59c, 69c, 89c, 98c, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.69.

Girls' Sleds, 50c, 69c, 79c, 98c, $1.25 and $1.38.

Baby Sleighs .....$3.98 to $6.25

Sled Boxes, fit on top of sleds, $2.00

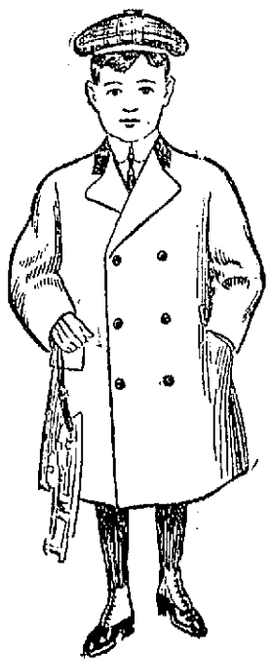
Dolls' Go Carts, ..25c, 50c to $2.69

Shoofflies.....79c, $1.10 and $1.69

Merrimack St. Basement

Boys' Clothing

Stirring Gift Values for the Attention of Thrifty Parents



Russian and Reefer Coats, for boys of 3 to 12 years, made plain color cloth and fancy Scotch mixture, made with trimming, serge and flannel lined, $3.00 value, at $1.98 Each

Boys' Reefer and Russian Coats, made in the latest design, velvet collar, sleeve emblem, serge and flannel lined, $4.00 value, at $2.98

Reefer and Russian Overcoats, made of the latest cloth in the new shades of brown and green. Fine serge and wool flannel lining. Silk velvet collars, $5.00 value, at $3.98 Each

We are offering very good value in Russian and Reefer Coats, made of best quality of material, in the very latest cut, best of trimming used in this garment sold in clothing stores, from $6.50 to $8.00, at $4.98 Each

SUBWAY

Boys' Auto Coat for bigger boys, made in latest design, automobile collar and cuffs. Made of heavy wool mixture and heavy lining. Coats worth $5.00, $7.50, at $3.49, $4.98 and $5.98

Boys' Russian Suits, made of fine worsted and serge, nicely trimmed with braid, fancy buttons, leather belts, and best of lining, military and sailor collars. Extra good values at $2.98, $3.98 and $4.98.

Suits worth from $3.50 to $7.50.

Our line of Boys' Knee Pants is the most complete; our price lower than usually sold for and quality a little better.

Knickerbocker Pants, cheviots and wool mixture .....50c Pair

Corduroy Pants, knickerbocker pant .....59c Pair

Knickerbocker Pants, and of good wool cloth and worsted, $1.00 value, 75c Pair

BASEMENT

OUR

Underprice Basement

The Place Where Useful Gifts May Be Bought at Economical Prices—The Following Are Exceptional

Ladies' Handkerchiefs, plain white checks, embroidered initial and colored. All hemstitched; 10c value, useful at .....5c each or 6 for 25c

Ladies' All Linen Handkerchiefs, and embroidered, with narrow hemstitch, 12½c value. Useful gift at 9c, 3 for 25c

A nice fancy box with every 25c worth of handkerchiefs.

Ladies' White Lawn and Fine Batiste Waists, nicely trimmed, with fine laces and embroidery. Useful gift, $1.25 value, at .....98c Each

PALMER STREET

Ladies' Black Skirts, made of fine black mercerized and well trimmed with ruffles and hemstitched, $1.00 value. Useful gift at .....85c Each

Ladies' White Aprons, samples, very slightly soiled, 75c to $1.00 value. Useful gift at ....45c Each

Wool Blankets, for single or double bed, white, gray and red, part wool and all wool. Useful gift from $2.50 to $15.00 Pair

Cotton Puffs, silkoline and sateen covering. Useful gift from $2.50 to $3.50

Wool Puffs, cambric covering. Useful gift from .....$4.00 to $12.00

Bed Spreads, hemmed and fringe. Useful gift from .....$1.25 to $10.00

BASEMENT

A SPOTLESS TOWN

What Mayor-Elect Howard Purposes to Do

Mayor of Salem Will Give His Pay to the Playgrounds of His City—Will Remove the License Commissioners and Publish All Bills Against the City

Mayor-elect Arthur P. Howard of Salem promises reform. His platform was built of huge planks, which spelled this one word.

He will not be a candidate for reelection. He will give his salary to the playgrounds of the city. He will remove all three members of the license board. He will publish all bills before they are paid. He will make city hall employes work eight hours every day. He will invite the aldermen-elect to submit to him a list of names of men who, in their opinion, are eligible for the office of city marshal. He will appoint his man from this list. If, at any time, two aldermen prefer charges against the marshal, he will remove him. He will see that the no-license laws are enforced to the letter.

These, in substance, are the things that Mayor-elect Howard, a one year resident, is going to accomplish in the Puritan City.

His Illustrious Ancestry

Arthur Howard was born in Brevoort place, Washington square, New York city, 40 years ago. His father, John Platt Howard, died Monday. He was president of the jewelry house, Howard & Co., on Fifth avenue, New York. Mr. Howard's mother came from Nantucket and was descended from one of the original settlers of that island.

Mr. Howard's paternal grandfather, Dr. Joseph Howard, was born in Salem in 1807, and was a schoolmate of Nathaniel Hawthorne. His great-great-grandfather was Joseph Howard, an old shipping merchant, born in Salem, in 1780, while another ancestor, John Howard, served in both the army and navy in the Revolutionary war. He founded the Salem Insurance company, and was an original subscriber to the leveling of the Common. He served in the general court and was selectman for three years. He organized the Salem Charitable Mechanic association and was its first president. Howard street was named after him.

His father, Abraham Howard, a merchant of London, was descended from the Duke of Norfolk and Premier Duke of England. This gives the mayor-elect an ancestry which represents not only one of the best families in Salem, but one of the most noted families of England.

Schoolmates Wealthy

Mayor-elect Howard was educated in a private school in New York. Among his classmates were four sons of Jay Gould and a son of John D. Rockefeller, also sons of Frederic R. Coudert and Joseph Lerogue, C. P. Huntington and other scions of prominent New York families.

At the age of 23 Mr. Howard married Miss Annie Legg. He was in business in New York and London, and in the panic of 1907 met with reverses.

He is something of an author. He has written 15 books as follows: "Shakespeare for the Unsophisticated," of which 40,000 copies have been sold; "Grandmother's Cook Book," 16,000; "The X Y Z of Wall street," 12,000 copies; "Animals That I Have Met," "The Girl from Boston," "The Diamond Heart," "Raising the Dickens" and other books of a humorous nature.

The death of Joseph Howard, Jr., the well known writer, brought Mr. Howard to Boston. He was anxious to assume his cousin's duties as correspondent for a Boston newspaper. While awaiting a decision he journeyed to Salem and conceived the idea of starting a newspaper, there being only one in Salem at the time. He started the Salem Dispatch on Oct. 24, 1908.

In Jail Three Days

The policy of the paper was to show alleged graft in city hall. Among those who were assailed was Alderman Michael J. Doyle, who failed of reelection Tuesday, after nine consecutive terms. On July 10 Mr. Doyle made a complaint against Mr. Howard, charging criminal libel. The case was called and continued, Mr. Howard staying three days in Salem jail awaiting bail. During that time he edited his paper in cell 45 and 30 persons volunteered to bail him out, but he refused. When the case was called, he was bound over to the grand jury, Daniel T. Hagerty, a liquor seller, going on his bond.

Mr. Howard continued his attacks on city officials. On Oct. 14 he was arrested on a charge of criminal libel, the complaint this time being filed by Robin Damon, a Salem newspaper publisher. Just before this case came up at the October sitting of the superior court at Lawrence, Howard published something about the McSweeney brothers, one of whom, William H., ran second to Howard in the mayoralty contest. Patrick A., the older one, it is alleged, assaulted Howard and disabled him so that he had to go away for a week.

When the Doyle and Damon cases were called, they were continued until the January term. Howard is now out on bail, which has been furnished by William T. Sanborn, Clarence R. Taylor and Daniel T. Hagerty, all of Salem.

In Tuesday's election Howard received the smallest vote that any successful aspirant of recent years has ever received. It is thought that Herman F. Curtis, Jr., will be his secretary, and former Alderman G. Lincoln Allen will be a strong candidate for the city marshalship.

When—

The Stomach is Sick
The Liver Sluggish
The Bowels Clogged
The Blood Impure
The Skin Sallow

Then—*It's Time to Take*

That grand, old, time-tested remedy—

BEECHAM'S PILLS

In boxes with full directions, 10c. and 25c.

THE CRIME PAGE

IDEA BROACHED BY MRS. FISK INDORSED BY WOMEN'S CLUBS

Placing all the crime in a newspaper on one page was the idea presented to the Federation of Women's clubs in annual session in Rochester, N. Y., by Mrs. A. C. Fisk, newspaper and magazine writer.

The federation after Mrs. Fisk's address adopted resolutions in favor of the plan, which if adopted by newspapers would allow subscribers to tear out the crime page of the paper before their children could read of the murders, robberies, elopements, divorces and other too frank adult doings.

"I have talked with proprietors of the largest papers from the Pacific coast to Rochester," said Mrs. Fisk, "and they are perfectly willing to segregate crime in their issues if the people want it served that way."

ALLEGE UNJUST TREATMENT

MONTREAL, Dec. 17.—The local municipal authorities have asked the Dominion immigration department to look into the case of Andre Lavigne and William Robley, both of whom allege unjust treatment on the part of the American immigration agents. Lavigne was born in Quebec is 62 years old and has lived in Woonsocket, R. I. and St. Albans, Vt, for 49 years. He declares he was shipped out of the states as an undesirable alien. Robley has been a citizen in Boston for several years and alleges that he was returned to Canada as undesirable after his release from an insane asylum. The local authorities claim indigent persons are sent back into Canada from the states after having spent the greater part of their lives there.

ECZEMA READILY CURED BY A SIMPLE HOME TREATMENT

A simple clean remedy that can be used in the home is what every person desires who is suffering from eczema. You can now have that remedy and get instant relief, and be cured permanently by ZEMO, a clean vegetable liquid for external use. ZEMO cures skin diseases by drawing the germs and their poisons, that cause the disease, to the surface of the skin and destroying them, leaving the skin clean and healthy. A. W. Dows & Co., the druggists, will give you a booklet and a sample bottle of ZEMO and will explain to you how a great many cases of eczema and other forms of skin diseases have been cured by this simple home treatment. For sale by A. W. Dows & Co., leading druggists.

OLD TIME XMAS

As Described by Several Aged People

The Christmas of today and the Christmas of long ago are as far apart in the order of festivity as they are in years.

One woman, speaking of the Christmas of 80 years ago, said:

"Why, we didn't have any Christmas. That is, we had a holiday from school and an extra good dinner. We also made it a point of calling out a cheery 'good morning' to everyone we met, but other than that there was no celebration."

One old lady said that Christmas to her meant an extra pumpkin pie or two and maybe, if the day was fine, a sleigh ride to her grandmother's, who lived some miles away in Topsfield. At her grandmother's she was sure to find several uncles and aunts, with the usual supply of youngsters and while the elders sat about the huge fireplace and ate apples and drank mulled cider, the children played out of doors in the snow and thought they were having the time of their lives.

The Christmas dinner table was always set in the kitchen, a long, low room with blackened rafters overhead and strings of onions, apples and popcorn hanging from the ceiling.

The dinner consisted of roasted chicken, huge roasts of beef and sides of ham with plenty of vegetables, apples and cider.

There were no gifts exchanged at that time and the day was celebrated more after the fashion in which we celebrate Thanksgiving.

An elderly man, whose home was in the northern part of New Hampshire 70 years ago, told a tale of the desolation of his young Christmases that was pitiful.

He was one of 13 children, and the homestead was so tiny there was scarcely room for the youngsters and their parents. At all times it was hard work to get enough for the brood to eat and when Christmas came it was a gloomy day. The nearest store was 15 miles away and the nearest neighbor five, so the prospects of sociability were lacking.

Sometimes they would have a good old New England boiled dinner for Christmas and sometimes even that luxury was lacking.

Two of the children today are living and both are worth a great deal of money, and when they meet and talk over old times and compare their Christmases of long ago with those of today, the comparison is doubtful.

Another old lady said that Christmas to her in olden times meant added work and the coming of disagreeable relatives who found fault with her patchwork and were horrified at her lack of industry in other directions.

A big roasted goose was always the feature of her Christmas dinner, and a box from the only rich relative in New York containing silk goods and a dress pattern for her mother, a $10 gold piece for her father and a book apiece for the children was the Christmas she knew. That was the extent of the Christmas presents of her youth and she stated that the arrival of this one box was the annual event in the village.

The children of today evidently fare much better than did the youths of those times, but it is a deep and deadly question at the present moment whether the customs of these times are an improvement upon those of the century before us.

There are those who feel that Christmas giving has today taken upon itself such astounding proportions that the real significance of the day is utterly lost. The children, however, do revel in the prospect of the holiday and enjoy it to the utmost.

DYNAMITED BANK'S VAULT

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 17.—Robbers dynamited the vault of the bank of Exeter near here and secured $7000 in cash early yesterday.

GET YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

AT

MACARTNEY'S

We are the New Store in Lowell and are "chuck" full of good things for Xmas. Our merchandise is positively guaranteed and the assortment immense.

Armlets
Bags
Bath Robes
Canes
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Dress Suit Cases
Fur Caps
Fur Coats
Fur Gloves
Garters
Gloves
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House Coats
Horse Blankets
Indian Suits
Jewelry

Knit Goods
Laundry Bags
Mittens
Mufflers
Neckwear
Opera Hats
Pajamas
Rubber Coats
Shirts
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Smoking Jackets
Suspenders
Ties
Trunks
Umbrellas
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For the very newest, best and largest assortment try

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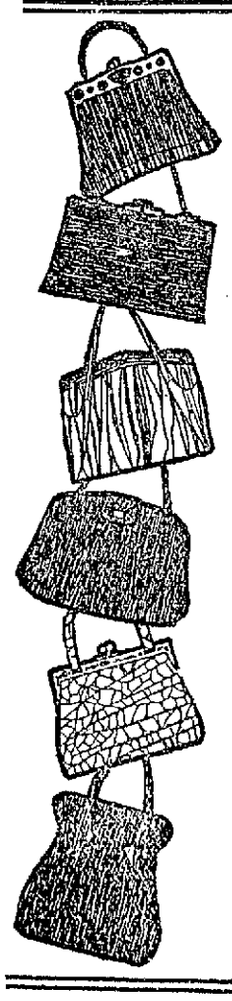
Devine's Christmas Sale



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Traveling Bags
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Toilet Cases
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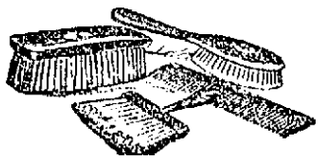
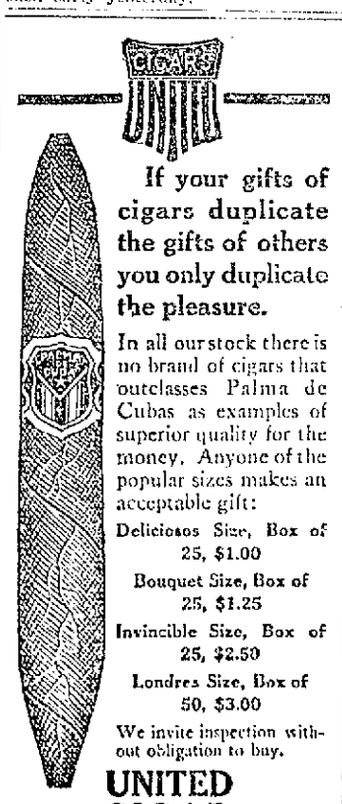
It will pay you to see our line of Fitted Cases which contain all toilet articles and fittings. Fitted Cases from .....$2.00 to $20.00

WE HAVE THE EQUAL IF NOT BETTER THAN CAN BE FOUND IN THE METROPOLIS. YOU CAN SAVE ONE-FOURTH ON PRICE HERE, AND YOU GET THE HIGHEST GRADE GOODS



DEVINE'S TRUNK STORE

124 MERRIMACK STREET



If your gifts of cigars duplicate the gifts of others you only duplicate the pleasure.

In all our stock there is no brand of cigars that outclasses Palma de Cubas as examples of superior quality for the money. Anyone of the popular sizes makes an acceptable gift:

Deliciosos Size, Box of 25, $1.00

Bouquet Size, Box of 25, $1.25

Invincible Size, Box of 25, $2.50

Londres Size, Box of 50, $3.00

We invite inspection without obligation to buy.

UNITED CIGAR STORES

9 MERRIMACK STREET

THE NET GAIN

Made by John F. Meehan in Each Ward

The relative net gain, by wards, made by Hon. John F. Meehan, mayor-elect was as follows:

Ward 1	343
Ward 2	277
Ward 3	282
Ward 4	270
Ward 5	177
Ward 6	183
Ward 7	419
Ward 8	257
Ward 9	314
Total	2540

BUTLER VETS

HOLD THE RECORD FOR MONSTER CONTESTS

Sixty years ago, July 4, 1849, the first general hand fire engine muster was held at Bath, Me., and the second at Ashland, Mass., Oct. 6 of that year. Every year since then, with the single exception of 1864, one or more have been held in New England and the largest of them was held at Lowell last year. Since 1887 they have been mostly veteran musters.

The season of 1909, which had a less number of musters than most of the recent muster seasons, was one of the most successful and satisfactory of any of them, says the Boston Herald expert. There were 15 general musters and a number of important contests during the season.

The Hancocks of Brockton, with prizes won aggregating $850, led the season's list of money winners, with the Fountains of South Hadley Falls second. Hancock made the best single record, 246 feet 5 inches, and the Fountain the best average. In the money prize winning list are found the Alabama Coon, standing 17th; the Enterprise of Brockton 27th, Washington of Brookville 31st, Protector of Brockton 34th and Columbia of Brockton 48th.

The Hancock of Brockton has won the most prize money at musters, over $3000. The Red Jacket of Cambridge is second with $6975, the Nonantum of Newton third with $6855, Protector of Brockton fourth with $1875.

The 50 best records made at muster contests for year include: City of Lowell first, 259 feet 6 1-2 inches; Hancock, 28, 259 feet 1-4 inch, Protector of Brockton 8th, 247 feet 3 5-8 inches; Enterprise of Brockton 15th, 240 feet 1-2 inch; Alabama Coon, of Stoughton, 26th, 234 feet 10 inches.

HIGHWAY COMMISSION

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—A change has been made in the executive officers of the Massachusetts highway commission and the salary of $5000 paid to Secretary Austin B. Fletcher, who resigned, has been divided between Arthur W. Dean of Nashua, N. H., the newly appointed engineer of the board, and Frank Rieter of Boston, who was promoted from assistant secretary to the secretaryship.

GONE TO COSTA RICA

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Surgeon General Walter Wyman of the army sailed yesterday for Costa Rica to attend the fourth international sanitary conference which meets Christmas day at San Jose, and which will consider the sanitation of seaports with the idea of the elimination of yellow fever.

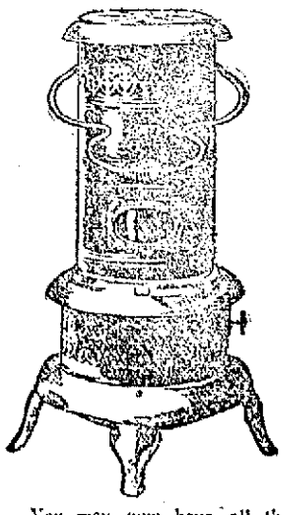
Senor Don Luis Anderson, minister from Costa Rica to this country, also sailed to spend Christmas with his family.

He will return to Washington after the holidays.

Smokeless

Until science discovered a way to construct the Automatic Smokeless Device, and make it completely dependable, all oil heaters had one common great fault—smoke.

With the advent of the Automatic Smokeless Device, and its practical application to the



PERFECTION Oil Heater

(Equipped with Smokeless Device)

the smoke problem was successfully solved.

The Perfection Oil Heater is the only heater equipped with this

Automatic Smokeless Device

which insures a steady, full-glowing heat, with the wick turned up as high as it will go, without a shred of smoke. Reverse the motion, turn the wick down—there's no odor.

The smokeless device automatically locks and prevents the upward movement of the wick beyond the proper exposure. That is the secret. This splendid result gives leadership to the Perfection.

You may now have all the heat you want—when you want it—and where you want it—without the annoyance of smoke or odor.

Brass font holds 4 quarts of oil, which permits a glowing heat for 9 hours. Brass wick tube—damper top—cool handle. Cleaned in a minute.

The Perfection is beautifully finished in Nickel or Japan.

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A Cup of Our

NEW PROCESS HOT CHOCOLATE

Or a Glass of Any Plain Cream

DELICIOUS PURE COLD SODA

In addition to the souvenir package of chocolates, to those who purchase 25c worth or more of any goods in the morning before 12 o'clock.

This is to encourage morning purchases, and with a due regard for the comfort of our patrons. If it is at all possible we ask you for your own sake and to assist us in caring for the throngs that will attend the opening to take advantage of this offer. Come early, enjoy a delicious soda and avoid the congestion that is sure to occur during the afternoon and evening.

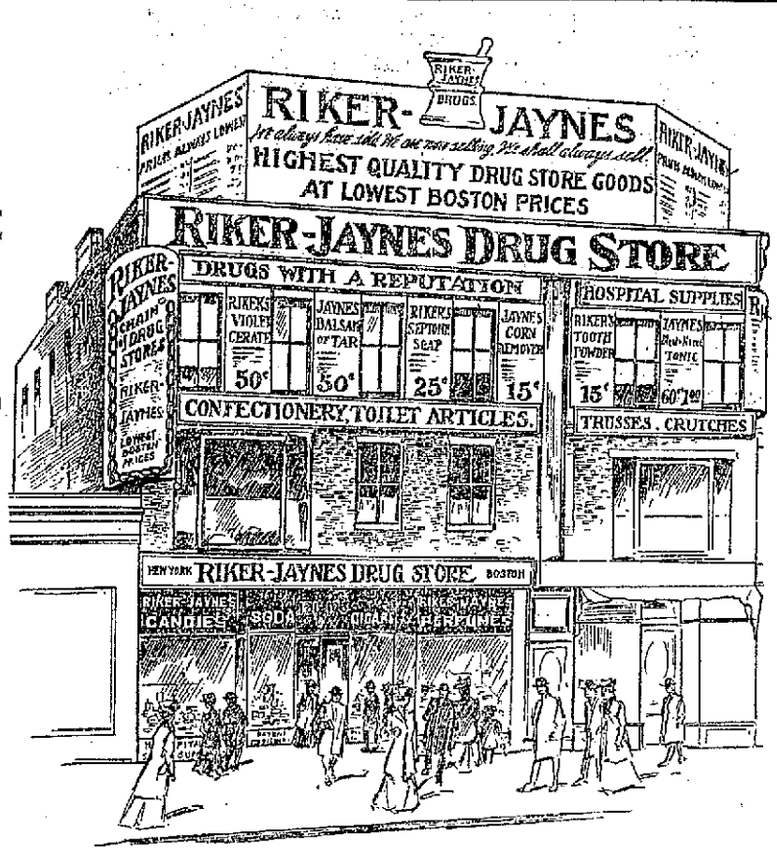
SPECIAL OFFER

As a further inducement for you to make a special effort and be present on the opening day we offer a

50c Bottle of Jaynes' Balsam Tar for
Or a 50c Jar of Riker's Violet Cerate for ... **25c**

These preparations are too well known to require any further detailing. Never before have they been offered at less than full price.

Only One to a Customer; none to Dealers.



THE name of Riker-Jaynes is not new to the Lowell public. Many, many Lowell residents have for years been trading at our Boston stores. This new modern store in Lowell will be conducted according to the same plan, and will live up to the traditions that the name of Riker-Jaynes implies. A high standard of efficient service, the highest quality of goods and a big saving in prices, which we are able to effect by reason of our large purchases, will merit your continued and liberal patronage.

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With Every Purchase of Goods Amounting to 25c or More At Any Counter

A FULL 1-4 POUND SOUVENIR BOX OF OUR EXCELLO HIGH GRADE CHOCOLATES

We firmly believe that even the souvenir we give away should bear the stamp of quality, and with this in mind as well as the loyalty to our established reputation, we have selected a souvenir package of chocolates that for quality and deliciousness are unexcelled. We are sure you will appreciate it.

ADDITIONAL SOUVENIRS

1. To every lady purchasing 25c worth or more of any goods at the toilet goods or rubber goods counters will be presented a cake of **HOWARD'S TRUE VIOLET SOAP** in addition to the quarter pound box of Excello Chocolates.

2. To every gentleman purchasing 25c worth or more of cigars or any smokers' articles, will be presented with a **10c DIADONA CIGAR** in addition to the quarter pound box of Excello Chocolates.

25c VALUES,

16c and Less

TOILET GOODS

25c Resinol Soap ... 16c
25c Frostilla ... 16c
25c Allen's Footease ... 16c
25c Mennen's Talcum Powder ... 16c
25c Comfort Powder ... 15c
25c Bathasweet Bath Powder ... 16c
25c Hood's Cologne ... 15c
25c Calox Tooth Powder ... 16c
25c Brown's Camphorated Dentifrice ... 15c
25c Dentacura ... 16c
25c Hood's Tooth Powder ... 15c
25c Kolynos Tooth Paste ... 16c
25c Lyon's Tooth Powder ... 15c
25c Rubifoam ... 16c
25c Sanitol Tooth Powder ... 16c
25c Cuticura Soap ... 16c
25c Packer's Tar Soap ... 15c
25c Woodbury's Soap ... 16c
25c Rubberset Shaving Brush ... 15c

PATENT MEDICINES

25c Beecham's Pills ... 16c
25c Bromo Seltzer ... 16c
25c Carter's Pills ... 14c
25c Cascarets ... 16c
25c Sal Hepatica ... 16c
25c Johnston's Liniment ... 16c
25c Omega Oil ... 16c
25c Orangeine ... 16c

DRUGS

25c Denatured Alcohol, pt. bottle ... 16c
25c Elm Bark, ¼ lb. ... 15c
25c Rock Candy, lb. ... 15c
25c Chloride of Lime, 2 lb. cans ... 16c
25c Paraffine, 2 lbs. ... 16c
25c Cold Cream, 2 oz. jar ... 15c
25c Powdered Borax, 2 lbs. ... 16c

GET YOUR SOUVENIR

A ¼ box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

50c VALUES

33c and Less

TOILET GOODS

50c Pebeco Tooth Paste ... 33c
50c Pompeian Massage Cream ... 31c
50c Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap, 4 cakes 33c
50c Hind's Honey & Almond Cream 33c
50c Levy's Leblache Powder ... 33c

PATENT MEDICINES

50c Birt's Head Wash ... 33c
50c California Syrup of Figs ... 33c
50c Dandelne ... 33c
50c Doan's Pills ... 33c
50c Father John's Medicine ... 33c
50c Hay's Hair Health ... 33c
50c Patch's Sugar of Milk ... 33c
50c Cascarets ... 33c
50c Omega Oil ... 33c
50c Scott's Emulsion ... 33c
50c Listerine ... 33c

DRUGS

50c Carbolic Acid, 1 lb. bottle ... 33c
50c Gum Camphor, 1-2 lb. ... 33c
50c Cocoa Butter, 1-2 lb. ... 27c
50c Black Licorice Sticks, lb ... 25c
50c Lanoline, 1-4 lb. can ... 30c
50c Senna Leaves, 1 lb. ... 33c
50c Glycerine, 1 lb. bottle ... 29c
50c Compound Licorice Powder, 1 lb. 29c

2 SPECIAL COMBINATIONS

1 Can Riker's Antiseptic Tooth Powder. Guaranteed Tooth Brush. **25c**

4 10c Cakes Howard's True Violet Soap. 1 Wash Cloth. **25c**

GET YOUR SOUVENIR.

A 1-4 Lb. box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

$1.00 VALUES

67c and Less

PATENT MEDICINES

$1.00 Bliss Native Herb Tablets ... 67c
$1.00 Bovinine ... 67c
$1.00 Cooper's Discovery ... 67c
$1.00 D. D. D. ... 67c
$1.00 Father John's Medicine ... 67c
$1.00 Maltine ... 67c
$1.00 Nerves ... 67c
$1.00 Herpicide ... 67c
$1.00 Scott's Emulsion ... 67c
$1.00 Peruna ... 67c
$1.00 Ayer's Hair Vigor ... 67c
$1.00 Listerine ... 65c
$1.00 Danderine ... 66c
$1.00 Gray's Glycerine Tonic ... 67c
$1.00 Hostetter's Bitters ... 67c
$1.00 Pierce's Prescription ... 67c
$1.00 Pinkham's Vegetable Compound ... 67c
$1.00 Regal Hair Life ... 67c
$1.00 Swamproot ... 67c
$1.00 Wampole's Cod Liver Oil ... 67c

SPECIAL BARGAINS TOILET GOODS

10c Hand Sapolio ... 7c
10c Hair Insoles, pair ... 6c
25c Bridge Whist Score Pads ... 9c
Williams' Barber's Bar, 6 cakes ... 27c
Colgate's Barber's Bar, 8 cakes ... 25c
25c Babcock's Coryiopsis Talcum Powder ... 9c
15c Hornet Playing Cards, 2 for 25c
15c Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap, 9c, 3 for 25c
35c Prophylactic Tooth Brush ... 25c
10c Palm Olive Soap ... 6c
15c Pears Unscented Soap ... 12c

GET YOUR SOUVENIR.

A 1-4 Lb. box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

Special Reductions in Rubber Goods and Sick Room Supplies

75c Jaynes' No. 877 Atomizer ... 49c
50c English Cheek Ice Bags ... 37c
75c Rubber Sheeting, per yard ... 48c
$1.50 White Enamel Douche Pans ... 97c
$2.00 White Enamel Bed Pans ... $1.37
50c Jaynes' Nipples, per dozen ... 35c
15c Absorbent Gauze, 1 yd. pkg ... 10c
50c Highest Grade Absorbent Cotton, lb. ... 33c
$5 Jaynes' No. 1 Medical Battery, $2.39
75c Priscilla Water Bottles ... 47c
5c Nursing Bottles, 7 for ... 25c
75c U. S. Emergency Accident Case, 47c
$1.50 Maple Crutches, per pair ... 97c
25c Jaynes' Glass Nasal Douche ... 13c
5c Medicine Droppers, 2 for ... 5c
75c Handry Rubber Gloves ... 47c
$1.00 White Enamel Irrigators, 2 qt. ... 69c
75c Edgewood Fountain Syringes, 2 qt. ... 47c
Jaynes' Fountain Syringe, guaranteed for 1 year, 2 qt. size ... $1.32
25c Bath Thermometers ... 19c
Temperature Thermometers, 47c to $1.83
75c Pure Gum Chin Reducers ... 43c
Cotton or Gauze Bandages, 10 yds. long, 1 inch wide, 6 for ... 25c
$2.00 Reborn Shoulder Brace ... $1.00

Suggestions for Christmas Gifts.

Safety Razors ... $5.00 to $13.50
Hair Brushes ... 49c to $9.87
Toilet Mirrors ... 25c to $3.00
Thermos Bottles ... $3.00 to $7.50
Waterman's Fountain Pens ... $2.50 up
Perfume Atomizers ... 75c to $2.23
Manicure Sets ... $2.29 up
Popular Cigars in boxes of 25 ... 90c up
Electrical Vibrators ... $5.00 to $35.00
Confectionery in fancy packages, 50c to $5.00
Imported and Domestic Perfumes, Toilet Waters and Sachet Powders, in great variety.
Pipes ... 25c to $5.00

GET YOUR SOUVENIR.

A 1-4 Lb. box of Excella Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

Special Values For the Smoker

PIPE AND TOBACCO SPECIAL

1 Genuine Imported French Briar Pipe ... ALL
1 pkg. Pipe Cleaners ... FOR
1 pkg. of any popular 10c Tobacco ... 29c

POPULAR 5c CIGARS

4c, 7 for 25c

R. J. Special, a cigar that would be good value at 3 for 25c ... 4 FOR 25c

Popular 10c Cigars Including

7-20-4	MARGUERITE
QUINCY	BOSTONIA
BLACKSTONE	POET
C. C. A.	TRIMOUNT
M. C. A.	BARRISTER
HARVARD	NORTHERN LIGHT

7c, 4 for 25c

CIGARETTES

All 10c Kinds ... 8c
All 15c Kinds ... 11c
All 25c Kinds ... 18c
10c Tobacco, 9c, 3 for 25c
5c Tobacco, 6 for 25c

A 10c Diadona Cigar and a 1-4 Lb. box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

Special Values in Candy Dept.

R. J. Banner Mixture

A high grade assortment of Chocolates and Bon Bons. Good value at 40c. Selected and packed by ourselves. Opening Day Price, **25c lb.**

GUTH'S CHOCOLATES

We are sole agents for these high grade confections. They are absolutely pure and honest throughout and are distinctively delicious. Appreciated everywhere by the discriminating....

1-2 lb. box, 40c
1 lb. box, 80c

Other Packages 30c to $5.00

POPULAR 60c CHOCOLATES (Including)

Schraff's
Lowney's
L. & C. Reputation
Apollo
Foss'
Utopian
... **47c lb.**

PURE OLD-FASHIONED HORE-HOUND CANDY, 2 lbs. for 25c

You Are SAFE When You Buy at RIKER-JAYNES

RIKER-JAYNES DRUG STORE

121 and 123 MERRIMACK STREET, LOWELL, MASS.

A CORRECTION

RIKER-JAYNES Drug Store

At 121-123 Merrimack Street, Lowell, Mass.

Free Specials Opening Day

1. TO EVERY LADY PURCHASING 25c WORTH OR MORE OF ANY GOODS AT THE TOILET GOODS OR RUBBER GOODS COUNTERS WILL BE PRESENTED A CAKE OF HOWARD'S TRUE VIOLET SOAP IN ADDITION TO THE QUARTER POUND BOX OF EXCELLO CHOCOLATES.

2. TO ANYONE PURCHASING 25c WORTH OR MORE OF ANY GOODS BEFORE NOON A CUP OF OUR NEW PROCESS HOT CHOCOLATE OR A GLASS OF ANY PLAIN CREAM DELICIOUS PURE COLD SODA IN ADDITION TO THE SOUVENIR PACKAGE OF CHOCOLATES.

3. TO EVERY MAN PURCHASING 25c WORTH OR MORE A 10c DIADONA CIGAR AND A 1-4 LB. BOX OF EXCELLO CHOCOLATES.

4. WITH EVERY PURCHASE OF GOODS AMOUNTING TO 25c OR MORE AT ANY COUNTER A FULL 1-4 POUND SOUVENIR BOX OF OUR EXCELLO HIGH GRADE CHOCOLATES.

$1.00 VALUES

63c and Less

PATENT MEDICINES

$1.00 Bovinine	63c
$1.00 Cooper's Discovery	63c
$1.00 D. D. D.	63c
$1.00 Father John's Medicine	63c
$1.00 Maltine	63c
$1.00 Nerves	63c
$1.00 Herpicide	63c
$1.00 Scott's Emulsion	63c
$1.00 Peruna	63c
$1.00 Ayer's Hair Vigor	63c
$1.00 Listerine	63c
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$1.00 Gray's Glycerine Tonic	63c
$1.00 Hostetter's Bitters	63c
$1.00 Pierce's Prescription	63c
$1.00 Pinkham's Vegetable Compound	63c
$1.00 Regal Hair Life	63c
$1.00 Swampreot	63c
$1.00 Wampole's Cod Liver Oil	63c
$1.00 Bliss Native Herb Tablets	63c

50c VALUES

32c and Less

TOILET GOODS

50c Pebeco Tooth Paste	32c
50c Pompeian Massage Cream	31c
50c Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap, 4 cakes	32c
50c Hind's Honey & Almond Cream	32c
50c Levy's Leblanc Powder	32c

PATENT MEDICINES

50c Birt's Head Wash	32c
50c California Syrup of Figs	32c
50c Danderine	32c
50c Doan's Pills	32c
50c Father John's Medicine	32c
50c Hay's Hair Health	32c
50c Patch's Sugar of Milk	32c
50c Cascarets	32c
50c Omega Oil	32c
50c Scott's Emulsion	32c
50c Listerine	32c

DRUGS

50c Carbolic Acid, 1 lb. bottle	32c
50c Gum Camphor, 1-2 lb.	32c
50c Senna Leaves, 1 lb.	32c
50c Lanoline, 1-4 lb. can	30c
50c Glycerine, 1 lb. bottle	29c
50c Compound Licorice Powder, 1 lb.	29c
50c Black Licorice Sticks, lb	25c
50c Cocoa Butter, 1-2 lb.	27c

Popular 10c Cigars

6 CENTS EACH, Including

7-20-4	MARGUERITE
QUINCY	BOSTONIA
BLACKSTONE	POET
C. C. A.	TRIMOUNT
M. C. A.	BARRISTER
HARVARD	NORTHERN LIGHT

Popular 5c Cigars

4c Each, 3 for 10c, 8 for 25c

25c Values 14c and Less

TOILET GOODS

25c Resinol Soap	14c
25c Frostilla	14c
25c Allen's Footease	14c
25c Mennen's Talcum Powder	14c
25c Comfort Powder	14c
25c Bathasweet Bath Powder	14c
25c Hood's Cologne	14c
25c Calox Tooth Powder	14c
25c Brown's Camphorated Dentifrice	14c
25c Dentacura	14c
25c Hood's Tooth Powder	14c
25c Kolynos Tooth Paste	14c
25c Lyon's Tooth Powder	14c
25c Rubifoam	14c
25c Sanitol Tooth Powder	14c
25c Cuticura Soap	14c
25c Packer's Tar Soap	14c
25c Woodbury's Soap	14c
25c Rubberset Shaving Brush	14c

PATENT MEDICINES

25c Beecham's Pills	14c
25c Bromo Seltzer	14c
25c Carter's Pills	14c
25c Cascarets	14c
25c Sal Hepatica	14c
25c Johnston's Liniment	14c
25c Omega Oil	14c
25c Orangeine	14c

DRUGS

25c Denatured Alcohol, pt. bottle	14c
25c Elm Bark, ¼ lb.	14c
25c Rock Candy, lb.	14c
25c Chloride of Lime, 2 lb. cans	14c
25c Paraffine, 2 lbs.	14c
25c Cold Cream, 2 oz. jar	14c
25c Powdered Borax, 2 lbs.	14c

SATURDAY ONLY

JAYNES BALSAM of TAR

50c Bottle 25c, Only One to a Customer

SATURDAY ONLY

RIKER'S VOILET CERATE

50c Jar 25c, Only One to a Customer

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SOURCE OF SAVING

Municipal Departments Now Waste Many By-products

A report recently made to the board of park commissioners by Mr. George A. Parker, superintendent of parks of Hartford, Conn., discusses the proposition that the several municipal departments transfer to each other materials which each now destroys or throws away, but which might be of use to other departments. This part of the report was as follows:

As directed, I have inquired as to what might be exchanged between departments to their mutual convenience and the city's gain. I have confined my inquiries to such things as might be exchanged with the park department, seeking general information only, for to go into details sufficiently to make a working plan meant an examination of methods not warranted in a preliminary inquiry. While all talked with me frankly and seemed to be willing to do whatever would benefit their department and the city, yet I feel some were skeptical of any practical good coming from undertaking it.

The foundation upon which such an exchange rests seems to be the fact, if it is a fact, that what are by-products and waste in one department are supplies to be purchased in another, and also the ideal of what should be the relationship between departments.

If the ideal is that we are members of one great household and the executive officers a sort of upper servants to a common master, the people of Hartford, then such an exchange might be made practical and advantageous. But if the ideal is that the departments are different families, as it were, separated and distinct but living somewhat like tenants with a common landlord and working in the same shop, then the exchange is purely a commercial transaction, and probably would give less friction and more satisfaction if each department bought its own supplies in the open market and destroyed or otherwise disposed of its by-products and wastes.

For instance, manure and ashes are by-products with the fire department, but are supplies to be purchased by the park department, while hay and wood are by-products with the park department, but supplies to the fire department. Of course, ashes, manure, wood, and hay are articles of commerce and have market values, but the city official, when he sells his waste products in the market, finds that no price is too small when the city wants to sell, and no price too large when the city wants to buy. He is not regularly in the market, not thoroughly in touch with it, and a sort of nuisance there. His great desire is that his department shall fulfil its functions to the city in the best possible manner, and the man who has the gift of doing this seldom has the gift or the time to take the part of a tradesman. A man should have the skill and instincts of a successful horse trader to obtain full value for the by-products which a city has to sell, while to exchange between departments requires only the desire to deal fairly. A basis for making the exchange might be to charge the receiving department only the additional cost over what it would cost to otherwise dispose of it.

The following by-products of other departments could be used by the park department to advantage. Approximate estimates of quantities are given in round numbers, based upon statements of officials or contractors:

First—One hundred cords of manure, largely from the stables of the fire department.

Second—One hundred cords of leaves from the street trees, which have to be removed as litter.

Third—One hundred tons of animal waste, principally dead horses and dogs. Over 200 horses die yearly, and a larger number of dogs and smaller animals. At present about one-fifth of these are cared for by the city, the remainder by private parties. This matter is now a private business of fair proportion, and so well managed that the public have no trouble with it.

Fourth—One thousand five hundred yards of ashes from the different city buildings and district schoolhouses, much needed by the parks for roads, walks, playcourts and drainage.

Fifth—Two thousand cubic yards of sweepings from asphalt pavements. In the raw this refuse is more injurious than beneficial to plant life, yet when mixed with alkalis and compounded as to destroy the asphalt oil and peroxide of iron, after two or three years it becomes a valuable fertilizer.

Sixth—Three thousand cubic yards of garbage. At present what cannot be disposed of for feeding to pigs is buried in trenches in the meadows.

Seventh—Fifty thousand cubic yards of ashes and waste matter from private houses. For the parks this would have a value only as filling, but there is a value for about one-fifth of this greater than filling.

These seven items are the larger items which could be used by the department for filling, construction or fertilizing purposes. They are now well cared for, the question being simply, would the city be better off if they were used differently?

For exchange, the park department could give as follows:

First—Hay and bedding that is not needed for its own animals.

Second—Refuse wood which comes from pruning and cutting of dead trees and improvement of wood lots.

Third—Street trees for setting out, as the street department might need.

Fourth—Plants, trees, shrubs and vines for decorating public buildings and grounds.

Fifth—Soils and loams for public areas.

Several years ago I gave considerable thought to this matter, and came to the conclusion that it was practical, desirable and sanitary, and with less net cost to the city, yet as the trend of effort was in a different direction, that the city would not undertake this method of disposing of its waste.

I fear I have not stated as clearly as I would like the fact that, could the parks have the benefit of the city's waste, it would enable them to be kept in a high state of fertility and add much to their beauty and usefulness.

DIVIDEND DECLARED

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The directors of the Louisville & Nashville railroad yesterday declared a semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent, an increase of one-half per cent, over the previous half year dividend declaration. To-day's declaration places the stock on a seven per cent. basis.

$8000 PAID TO FARMERS

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—In view of the fact that nearly $8000 has been paid the farmers of the state because of damages which they suffered from deer, an effort will be made to declare a brief open season for hunting by an act of the incoming legislature.

WILL NOT GIVE UP PLACE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17. Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the United States to whom it was said an offer had been made to become president of the University of Michigan returned to Washington today from Chicago and declared he did not intend to give up his governmental position to accept the presidency of the educational institution.

HE WILL RETIRE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—Official announcement was made yesterday that James Campbell, general solicitor of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad company would retire January 1. He will be succeeded by Charles Dechner, now assistant general solicitor.

HEARTFELT GRATITUDE

Thomas B. Sullivan, One of Lowell's Best Known Shoe Dealers, Gives VAR-NE-SIS Credit for Wonderful Cure of Rheumatism

Other Sufferers from This Painful Malady Should Read This Letter and Profit By His Experience

I know that Rheumatism can be cured. Every day I am more sure of this fact.

No man living can blame me for my enthusiasm when he sees the mass of letters that I am continually receiving from grateful men and women in all walks of life.

The following interesting letter will portray the feelings of one well known man, who gives VAR-NE-SIS full credit for the good it has and can accomplish. It is as follows:

W. A. Varney, Lynn, Mass.

Dear Sir—I want to tell you the great benefit I have derived from the use of VAR-NE-SIS Blood Purifier. I was a great sufferer from Sciatic and Muscular Rheumatism. My abdomen was greatly distended. My stomach gave me considerable trouble.

As I am in the retail shoe business it made it very hard for me not to be able to stoop readily, which seemed impossible at times, because my knees were so swollen and stiff. My hands were also affected. To go up and down stairs was a veritable hardship.

About the time I was suffering the worst, I read in The Lowell Sun of the wonderful cures VAR-NE-SIS was performing and, inasmuch as testimonials were from local citizens, I decided to give it a trial.

My Rheumatism has today entirely disappeared, never, I believe, to return. My stomach and bowels are all right and I can bend with perfect ease as all the stiffness has gone out of my joints.

All this improvement in health is due to VAR-NE-SIS, and I assure you that I feel very grateful for the help I have gotten through its use.

Yours truly,
(Signed) THOMAS B. SULLIVAN,
337 Bridge St., Lowell, Mass.

THOMAS B. SULLIVAN,
Lowell, Mass.

I want simply to state that no matter how strong a testimonial may be it can't possibly do full justice to what VAR-NE-SIS will do.

Anyone who will write me, or write to any name signed to a testimonial which I publish, will obtain other particulars in regard to this greatest of all cures for Rheumatism.

Sold by all druggists, 50c and $1.00 a bottle.

My address is W. A. VARNEY, 25 Hamilton Ave., Lynn, Mass.

Practical Christmas Gifts

We offer attractive and useful gifts for this holiday season, gifts which will not make a great inroad upon your purse, and which will be gratefully accepted. Make your purchases now, pay for them by our method of easy payments. Our system of credit is acknowledged to be satisfactory in every way. Now is the time to buy your own Xmas outfit, too. We cannot fail to please you.

MEN'S and YOUTHS' SUITS—First class garments from all the leading manufacturers, well made of the best materials from ..... $10 to $25

NEW AUTO COATS—Plain or in the new mixtures. Overcoats attractive and serviceable, as low as ..... $10 to $30

RAINCOATS, UMBRELLAS, ETC.

BOYS' SUITS and OVERCOATS—Stylish and well made. Will please the youngsters greatly, from ..... $5.00 to $20.00

WOMEN'S NEW XMAS APPAREL

WOMEN'S SUITS, in all desirable materials, made in the most approved styles, from ..... $14 to $30

CARACUL COATS, full and three-quarter lengths, lined throughout, from ..... $10.50 to $30.00

COATS of BROADCLOTH and other materials, a large and varied assortment, new military style included, from ..... $12 up

XMAS FURS of quality, fox, mink, lynx, opossum, etc. Sets from $5.00 up

PRETTY XMAS WAISTS of lingerie and in fancy patterns of lace, silk, etc., from ..... $1.49 up to $8.00

MILLINERY **CHILDREN'S GARMENTS**

STANDARD SUPPLY CO.

72 PRESCOTT STREET

HOW TO CURE SKIN DISEASES.

This is the question that has baffled the medical profession for centuries. A great many medicines have been exploited for the cure of skin diseases without much success. Most of these remedies were salves or greasy lotions. While they might give temporary relief they did not have the power to destroy the germ life that causes the disease. You can now obtain from A. W. Dows & Co., the druggists, a clean, vegetable liquid remedy for external use that will give prompt relief and permanently cure eczema and every form of skin or scalp disease. This remedy, which is known as ZEMO, cures by drawing to the surface of the skin, and destroying the germ life that causes the disease. It can be used freely on infants. Mr. A. W. Dows says ZEMO gives the best satisfaction of any medicine he has ever sold for the treatment of all diseases of the skin or scalp. For sale by A. W. Dows & Co., leading druggists.

CAPTAIN LOOSE

A Figure in Peary-Cook Dispute

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—There was another little polar flurry in New York last night, which, boiled down, resolved itself into a series of charges and countercharges such as have been frequent since Dr. Frederick A. Cook, now in mysterious seclusion, announced he had discovered the North pole.

B. S. Osbon, secretary of the Arctic club, came out first with a statement, indicating that Capt. August W. Loose was prepared to repudiate a recent affidavit published in a New York newspaper that he had faked records for Dr. Cook.

After a hurried search Loose was found, together with his associate, Geo. Dunkle. He denied that he intended to retract anything, stood by his affidavit, and said on the other hand that attempts had been made to bribe him into a contradiction of his previous declarations. Dunkle confirmed him in this.

No one denies that Loose did prepare records for Dr. Cook. The question left open is whether these records were urged by the explorer merely for the purpose of comparison or otherwise.

CLAIMS ESTATE

Wanderer Wants Share of $250,000 Property

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Attracted by a newspaper clipping which stated his brother had died in Boston intestate and leaving a fortune of $250,000, Jas. F. Corbett, for 30 years a wanderer in Canada, England and the United States, returned to Boston last night to lay claim to his share of the estate of Wm. J. Corbett, a junk dealer, who died on Sept. 23.

Rival claimants, eager for the first sight of an "own" brother, lawyers and newspapermen sought out Corbett on his arrival at the South station last night and eventually the police took a hand to secure the man's safe escort to a place of retreat.

Is Your Appetite Always Good?

Why can't you eat as you used to? Simply because your liver doesn't do its work properly. Its business is to take bile out of the blood, which acts as Nature's cathartic, but your liver is sluggish and the bile accumulates too fast, and you feel worn out, tired and lifeless, and each succeeding day brings no relief. The use of Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills will regulate your bowels, stimulate your liver, and promote a healthy, vigorous appetite.

Mr. Ray W. Dixon, of Sanford, Me., writes: "I have gained ten pounds. I can now eat all kinds of food."

Try them and you will be convinced that these little vegetable pills are indeed a tonic and stimulant to the functions of the liver. Then your brain will be active, your mind clear, and health conditions again established and you can eat anything. Get your liver right. Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills act gently but surely on the liver. Physicians use and recommend. They form no habit. You should always keep them on hand. These little Vegetable Pills will ward off many ills.

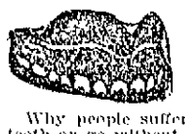
To Cure Constipation Biliousness and Sick Headache in a Night, use

SMITH'S PINEAPPLE AND BUTTERNUT PILLS — FOR Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache and Diseases of the Stomach, Liver and Bowels — NATURE'S LAXITIVE — PRICE 25¢

60 Pills in Glass Vial 25c.—All Dealers.

SMITH'S BUCHU LITHIA KIDNEY PILLS — For Sick Kidneys. Bladder Diseases, Rheumatism, the one best remedy. Reliable, endorsed by leading physicians; safe, effectual. Results lasting. On the market 16 years. Have cured thousands. 100 pills in original glass package, 50 cents. Trial boxes, 10 pills, 25 cents. All druggists sell and recommend.

BOSTON PAINLESS DENTAL ROOMS



Why people suffer from bad teeth or go without teeth is a mystery and only explainable by ignorance of our PAINLESS METHODS.

A SET OF OUR BEST TEETH will make a valuable Christmas present. Patrons ordering a set of our best teeth for Christmas will be given one Gold Crown or two Gold Fillings FREE.

GOLD CROWNS, 22k $5.00
GOLD FILLINGS ..... $1.00 up

Rooms 16, 17, 18, 29 Runels Bldg.
Merrimack Square

Gilbride's

MERRIMACK & PALMER STREETS

JOHN S. BACKMAN, Pres. JOHN J. BURNS, Sec. MATTHEW SCOTT, Treas.

Do Your Christmas Shopping Now

Start out today. Don't wait. Buy while the gift goods are fresh, the novelties numerous, the salespeople at their best and the delivery wagons not overloaded. Shop in the forenoon if possible. Keep to the right in crowded places. Carry small parcels when convenient to do so.

Toys, Dolls, Books and Games in the Basement

Women's Holiday Neckwear

Over 2000 pieces of crisp, new neckwear will be placed on sale today for the first time. Come early and have first selection.

All bright and new neckwear, Swiss lace, hand embroidered and fluffy Jabots. Silk and hand embroidered bows and fancy stock collars with and without Jabots, 25c each, in a box.

Rich and showy neckwear including cascade and side jabots, stock collars with jabots and fancy stock collars 50c each, in a box.

Some special novelties, one in a box, 75c, $1.00, $1.50, $1.98.

CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS

These Splendid Values Will Crowd Our Store Today and Tomorrow

Men's and Women's Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 12 1-2c—Good quality Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, for men or women, put up 6 in a box ..... 75c Box

Children's Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes 10c, 15c, 19c, 25c

Lace Trimmed Handkerchiefs, made of sheer linen, with beautiful Armenian, Valenciennes, Duchess and Point Lace 50c, $1, $2, $3, $4, $5, $7.50

Women's Handkerchiefs

Women's Embroidered Initial Linen	25c
Women's Embroidered Linen	25c
Women's Swiss Embroidered	25c
Women's Mourning Linen	25c
Women's Fancy Colored Linen	25c

Men's Handkerchiefs

Men's Plain Linen Initial	25c
Men's Tape Border Linen	25c
Men's Plain Silk Hemstitched	25c
Men's Colored Border Silk	25c
Men's Initial Silk Hemstitched	25c

GIFT GLOVES

Let us remind you that a Gilbride Glove is always a good glove. A handsome Christmas box with each pair

A beautiful new line of Kid Gloves for the holiday trade put up in pretty gift boxes. Fowne's "Lanark" Kid Gloves in black, white, green, gray, tan and brown, at ..... $1 a pair

Fowne's Real French Kid Gloves, all the smart shades, including the "Dagmar," also the "Marguerite," a special short fingered glove at ..... $1.50 a pair

"Bacmo" Cape Gloves for street wear, in brown, gun metal and Havana tans, also a full line of chamois in natural and white at ..... $1 a pair

Mocha Gloves lined and unlined, very special at ..... $1 and $1.50 Pair

Fur Lined Gloves in squirrel and blended mink, ... $3.98 and $4.98 Pair

Misses' and Boys' Lined Kid Gloves from ..... 50c to $1.50 Pair

A complete line of Women's and Children's Mittens and Gloves in Angora, silk and wool, from ..... 25c to $1.50 Pair

Aprons

Always an Acceptable Xmas Gift

Fancy Tea Aprons made of Cross Bar Muslin or Fine Lawn, trimmed with Torchon Lace Insertion and Edge, Hamburg Insertion and Edge ... 25c

Large Aprons made of Fine Lawn with Cluster of Tucks, or Wide Swiss Band; also Bretelle Aprons 25c

25 Styles of Swiss, Dotted or Cross Bar Muslin and Colored Embroidered Aprons, Round, Square, Princess, Bretelle and Maide, handsomely trimmed with Swiss Embroideries, Lace Insertion, Edges and Bendings 50c

Nurses' 72 inch Aprons, made of Heavy Sheeting with Reversible Pockets 50c

Fancy Tea and Large Square Aprons, all latest novelties ..... 75c to $2.50

Swiss and Lawn Sewing Aprons, trimmed with fine val. Lace 50c, 75c, $1.00

Christmas Furs

Our Assortment of Muffs, Collars and Stoles is complete, ranging in price from .... $1.95 up to $95

We are selling a Fine Opossum Shawl for $4.75. Muff to match at $5; also large Pillow Opossum Muff for $3.95.

Black Cat Lynx Muffs ..... $3.98 up to $12.50
Black Wolf Muff or Shawl ..... $13.50 to $16.50
Black Fox Muff or Shawl ..... $16.50 to $25
Genuine Black Lynx Pillow Muff $22.50, worth $37.50
Genuine Mink Muffs in Large Pillow Rug shape, $12.50 up to $50.00
Mink Shawls, some plain, others with head and tails ..... $16.50 to $95.00
36-inch Pony Coat, finely marked skins ... $39.50
52-inch Pony Coat, Foreign Dyed $48.50
Extra Fine Pony Coats, marked like a broad tail, for $72.50
Marmot Coats ..... $39.50, $47.50 and $58.50
French Coney Coats, $32.50 and $38.50, 50 inches in length.
Imported Caracul Coat, 52 inches long, Skinner Satin Lined, Jet Buttons $25.00

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY PRICED TO SUIT ALL PURSES

SANTA CLAUS

Holds his last reception this year Monday Afternoon. Reception hours 9.30 to 11 a. m. and 2.30 to 4 p. m. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SANTA'S MAIL BOX is in its usual place at the main entrance. Be sure the children write their name and address correctly and he will answer them.

Dolls in Basement

WE HAVE A VERY LARGE STOCK OF BOTH FRENCH AND GERMAN DOLLS

in dressed and undressed models. We import all of our Dolls direct and have them made from our own specifications. We call your particular attention to quality of the eyes, hair, clothing, etc.; also the expression of the faces and shape of the bodies.

Extra fine values at

25c, 49c, 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98, up to $5.00

Novelties and Sets

This department is located in front of elevator on Street Floor. The assortment shown is larger and better than ever before and includes many new things in the line of Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, Military Sets, Jewel Cases, Sterling Silver Sets, Clocks, Ornaments, Atomizers, etc., etc. These items are all bought direct from the makers early in the Spring and prices are very attractive.

Christmas Candy, Nuts and Oranges

Mixed Nuts, fine new mixture, over half English Walnuts, balance Castinas, Filberts, Almonds and Pecans (no Shagbarks or Common Walnuts in this mixture) ..... 2 lbs. for 25c

Fine Quality Ribbon Candy, absolutely pure and wholesome, fresh and clean box of.....2 lbs. for 25c

Florida Oranges, sweet and juicy.....18 for 25c

Thousands of Toys

It seems as if we are able to get better Toys each year. We have thousands of Foreign and Domestic Toys, ordered direct from the manufacturers early in the spring.

This places us in a position to offer you remarkable variety and values. As usual, the Mechanical Toys, Horses, Sleds, Carts, Doll Carriages, Chairs, Furniture, Tool Chests, Drums, Steam Engines, Magic Lanterns, etc., are on the Second Floor. Dolls and Small Toys are in Basement.

Leather Goods

We have all the new Novelties and Staples in this department, comprising fine assortment of Bill Books, Letter Cases, Cigar Cases, Carriage Bags, Wrist Bags, Card Cases, Envelope Bags, Traveling Rolls, Pocket Books, Purses, Music Rolls, Soft Leather Bags, etc., in all kinds of leathers finished in the most popular shades. Prices range to suit all purses.

Christmas Belts

What would be more acceptable than a nice Belt in a fancy box? We have a great variety of Persian Elastic Belts with the new shirt waist buckles; Gilt with colors and buckles to match; "Fitwell Belts;" fine cut Jet Belts with ornaments front and back. Prices 25c to $3.75

RUCHING IN CHRISTMAS BOXES

Handsome Patterns, several different patterns in a box. Cord Ruchings in boxes.

Tourist Ruchings in six yard lengths. Prices 25c and 50c a box

China and Glassware

A fortunate purchase enables us to offer fine Japanese, Austrian and French China, in Bon Bons, Salads, Cake Plates, Chocolate Sets, Fruit Bowls, Nut Bowls, Vases, Bric-a-Brac, etc., Domestic and Foreign Jardinieres, Jardinieres and Pedestals, Umbrella Jars, etc., Fancy Glass Water Sets, Wine Sets, Punch Bowls, Fruit Bowls, Berry Sets, Nut Bowls, etc. Beautiful new designs—at about half price.

Jewelry and Shell Goods

Beautiful Holiday Gifts are found in this department, consisting of Gold Plated, Gold Filled and Solid Gold Jewelry, including in the assortment Brooch Pins, Collar Pins, Scarf Pins, Hat Pins, Cuff Links, Rings, Hair Barrettes, Neck Chains, Lockets, Fob Chains, Lorgnettes, Bracelets, Belt Buckles, Chatelaine Pins, Ear Rings, Combs and Comb Sets; Fans are in this department also.

You will find the quality as represented and prices O. K.

Perfumes and Toilet Waters

We have all desirable makes, in fancy package or bulk, including Hudnut's, Rogers & Gallet's, Rickseeker's, Colgate's, Woodworth's, etc. Unquestionable quality at satisfactory prices.

Shirt Waist Patterns

In neat boxes, tied with ribbon, 3½ yard lengths of French Madras, Brilliantines and Cotton and Silk Novelties 69c to $2.49

Women's and Children's Gloves

All kinds at popular prices. Cashmere, Woolen, Silk, Kid, Fur lined and fur trimmed. Style, quality and prices are all that can be desired. In handsome boxes if you wish.

Women's Fancy Hose Supporters

(CORSET DEPT.)

Large assortment of Shirred Ribbon Hose Supporters, made in plain and fancy colors, packed in handsome Christmas boxes, 50c, 75c, $1, $1.50 pair

Christmas Suggestions on Second Floor

Blanket and Eiderdown Bath Robes.....$1.98 to $7.98

Short Eiderdown and Flannelette Kimonas, from 49c to $5.98

Black and all the newest shades Taffeta Silk Petticoats, all well made, from.....$3.98 to $16.98

Black Wolf Sets, shawl and rug muffs...$10 to $27.50

Children's Real Krimmer Sets, throw and muff, from $9.50 to $12.98

Children's Natural Squirrel Sets, shawl and muff, $3.98 to $10.50

Handkerchiefs, Neckwear

Fancy Embroidered and Lace Handkerchiefs, in individual boxes, all prices up to $5.00

Fancy Embroidered Handkerchiefs in handsome boxes of 6, for .....$1.50 and $1.00

Children's Handkerchiefs, 3 in puzzle and fancy boxes ..... 15c and 25c

Women's Neckwear in individual boxes, 25c and 50c

Handkerchiefs for Men, Women and Children with initial, 6 in box for .....50c to $3.00

Handsome Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, from ..... 10c to 50c

Christmas Footwear

Men's Tan and Black Romeo and Everett Slippers $1.40

Men's Tan, Everett and Opera Slippers $1.00

Men's Imitation Alligator and Embroidered Velvet 49c

Boys' and Youths' Alligator and Velvet Slippers, 49c

Women's Felt Romeos, all colors 89c

Women's Black or Brown Romeos 75c

Women's Crocheted Slippers 50c

Women's Plush Bound Slippers 49c

Women's Colored Boudoir Slippers with traveling cases to match...$1.25

Children's Red Romeos, 75c

Girls' Tan Storm Boots, according to size, $1.75 to $2.50

Boys' Tan Grain Oil Storm Boots, according to size .....$2.00 to $2.50

Beautiful Shirt Waists

Make a nice gift. We have a large assortment of handsome models in Fancy Nets, Colored Silks, and Lingeries. Prices range from.....$2.98 to $25.00

Women's Sweaters

Are Located in This Department Also.

Coat Sweaters in all desirable colors, $1.98 to $6.98

Xmas Books and Stationery

Hundreds of Beautiful Books Ready for Your Inspection.

One counter is devoted entirely to Books for Little Folks and contains all kinds of Picture Books at 10c to 75c each

Another counter is filled with Books for Girls and Boys, all new, up-to-date, at .....19c to 50c

Other counters have Latest Fiction, Popular Copyrights and Fancy Gift Books, at....25c to $1.08 each

Fancy Boxed Stationery of all grades, in beautiful boxes, from ..... 10c to $1.75

We show a large line of Prayer Books, Rosary Beads, Bibles, etc.

Pipes of All Kinds

Also found here, including Briar, Meerschaum and imitations. Plain and Fancy Shapes; also Health Pipes. Prices .....25c to $6.00

Gents' Furnishings

This department is stocked with the very latest things, including Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Boxed Neckwear, Fur Lined Gloves, Fancy Hose and Holiday Suspenders in boxes.

Umbrellas Engraved Free

All umbrellas purchased at this store will be engraved, any style you want, absolutely free of charge.

Children's Umbrellas, all sizes 50c, 59c, 75c

Women's Umbrellas, best American taffeta, tape edge, assorted horns, gun metal, pearl and Princess handles, only $1.25; better grades ..... $1.69 and $2.00

Special—65 women's strictly high grade umbrellas, best leather cover, warranted gold plate and sterling silver handles, a $5 umbrella for $2.25

Any young man looking for something strictly exclusive in umbrellas for his mother, sister, or sweetheart, will do well to look over our line. We have the finest assortment of hand cut silver, extra long mission wood, sterling silver, heavy gold plated and gun metal handles, union or all silk covers. Prices from $3.00 to $10.00

Attractive Items

On Sale at Muslin Underwear Dept. 2nd Floor

Aprons, dotted muslin or plain .....25c to $1.50

Fascinators, in handsome colors .....25c to 98c

Children's Sweaters, 50c to $2.49

Cardigan Jackets, 98c to $2.49

Beacon Wrapper Blankets

Basement

Handsome patterns for men or women, fast colors, beautiful and comfortable. $3.25 to $4.98

Wool Blankets in all grades, extra values at $2.49 to $12.50 pair

Pictures

Beautiful line of Water Colors, Pastels, Photo Engravings and Paintings; great variety of subjects to choose from. An ideal gift for the home. Prices 10c to $10

Women's Hose

In handsome Christmas boxes. Fine Lisle, Mercerized and Silk Hose, in all of the new shades as well as black. Prices range from 50c to $4.98 pair

BE SURE TO ASK FOR PONY TEAM TICKETS WITH ALL CASH PURCHASES OF CHILDREN'S WEARABLES.

THE BON MARCHE DRY GOODS COMPANY

STREET CLEANING

As It is Done in Various American Cities

The following despatches from various American municipalities relative to street cleaning will be of interest to Lowell readers:

STREET CLEANING WELL DONE

BALTIMORE, Md.—Only twenty-one complaints were received by the department of street cleaning for the month of November of failure properly to remove refuse and ashes throughout the city. All of the twenty-one were investigated with the result that Chief Inspector T. L. Hines reported to Commissioner J. L. Wickes that nine were justifiable complaints and twelve were not. Of those that were not justifiable, some were in instances where barrels that could not be handled alone by the drivers of carts had been put out, the law limiting the size of the receptacle to one bushel. Commissioner Wickes is elated at the report, as he says that six years ago, when he took hold of the department, the average daily number of complaints was about 250, as contrasted with the 21 for last month, and that this has been accomplished without increasing the expenditures of the department in proportion to the growth of the city.

SPRINKLING STATISTICS

DAYTON, O.—Data respecting the sprinkling of streets in Dayton during the past summer has been completed by City Engineer F. J. Cellarius, as follows: The number of miles sprinkled, full roadway, was 24.21, the same amount being assessed. The number of feet sprinkled went to 127,840.24. Cost assessed for one month, full roadway, $2990.50. The cost assessed for six months is $17,943. The average rate per lineal foot per month was $0.0234. For six months, the average rate was $0.1404. The average rate per mile is figured at, per month, $123.54. For six months it is $741.44. The maximum rate per lineal foot per month for one-half roadway is $0.03. The minimum rate is $0.008. The maximum rate per lineal foot for six months for one-half roadway is $0.18. The minimum rate is $0.048. There were 129 streets sprinkled, while the number of bills issued each month was 4984. The total number of bills for six months was 29,904.

ASHES MUST BE COVERED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Ashes will not be collected unless the receptacles are covered, according to the city board of health. The contract providing for the removal of ashes requires that all receptacles be covered. "Now that freezing weather has come," said Dr. Eugene Buehler, secretary of the board, "it is practically a physical impossibility for ash collectors to remove ashes from open receptacles. We have a long list of uncovered cans and unless covers are provided, collections will not be made from these places.

NEW GARBAGE SYSTEM

SCRANTON, Pa.—The claim of the bureau of health that the operation of the city's system of garbage and ashes collection and disposal has proved of great sanitary benefit to the city is borne out by the health record for the month of November. The record shows that in some important respects the number of contagious diseases was less than for the same month in the five previous years. This is particularly true of typhoid fever, of which there were only eight cases. There were thirteen cases of scarlet fever, also the smallest number for the month in five years, as against sixty-four for the corresponding month in 1908. Of diphtheria there were thirty-nine, within one of being the smallest number in five years. The least during that period of time was in 1905, when but thirty-eight were reported. Measles, with fifty-seven cases, was about normal, 1905 crowding 247 cases into it, while 1906 had none.

FAULT FOUND WITH CREMATORY

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—The board of public works has notified the Lewis & Kitchen Co., Chicago, Ill., that the crematory recently completed has so far failed to meet the requirements of the contract in the matter of fuel consumption. The contract price was $24,375 and the capacity was to be seventy-five tons in twenty-four hours, but no test of that amount could be made because the garbage could not be collected without taking too much time in accumulating it, but in other tests the plants did not meet specifications. The cost a ton was to be: Fifty to seventy-five tons at 30 cents; thirty to fifty tons, 35 cents; twenty to thirty tons, 40 cents, and fourteen to twenty tons, 45 cents. The contractors have the privilege of making the plant meet requirements.

A carving knife always makes a fine present. The Thompson Hardware Co. has an elegant line.

Hay's Hair Health

NEVER FAILS TO RESTORE GRAY HAIR TO ITS NATURAL COLOR AND BEAUTY.

No matter how old and faded your hair looks, or how long you have been gray, it will work wonders for you, keep you looking young, make it soft and silky, promote a luxuriant growth of healthy hair, stop its falling out and POSITIVELY REMOVE DANDRUFF.

Will not soil skin or linen. Will not injure your hair. IS NOT A DYE.

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Hay's Harfina Soap cures Eczema, red, rough and chapped hands, and all skin diseases. Keeps skin fine and soft, 25c. druggists. Send 2c. for free books, "The Care of the Skin," "The Care of the Hair."

Philo Hay Spec. Co., Newark, N.J.

A. W. DOWS & CO., F. P. MOODY, F. J. CAMPBELL, CARLETON & HOVEY, A. E. MOORS.

NEW AUTO RULES

The New Law Soon to Go Into Effect

In less than three weeks the new motor law goes into effect. When it is thoroughly digested it will be found that there are few changes from the other laws that affect owners.

Other features of the bill that were important went into effect July 1 last so that there was left, outside of the increased fees, little else. As the rules that had been made by the highway commission were embodied in the new law, together with various features of previous enactments, it brought everything up to date.

In looking over the penalty section there are some interesting lines because it will be well to watch whether the intent of the legislature is taken into consideration by judges. The section says "a complaint against a person for violation of sections 11, 16 or 17 of this act may be placed on file at the discretion of the court or trial justice if the violation appears to have been unintentional or if no person or property could have been endangered thereby."

In the old law, the matter is referred to briefly. When the bill was being fought in the committee hearings, it was pointed out that first offences of trivial things such as leaving a license in another coat, etc., should not bring about a conviction. Some of the members of the committee thought so, too, and the compromise was brought about.

Section 11 refers to carrying a license and registration about with one. Certainly the leaving of a license in one's other clothes does not endanger persons or property, and it is very likely to have been unintentional. The speed reference is also worth considering.

The fact that all the fines collected under the motor law will go to the state after Jan. 1 is likely to bring about a suspension of the traps that have been operated for some years with much profit to different localities. This provision is one of the most important ones, for it will add quite a revenue to the highway maintenance fund.

To make the law stronger it contains no provisions for allowing fees to be deducted from the fines. All the money must be handed over. There is a provision, too, that says that special constables may be appointed to see that the speed regulations are enforced, but they shall serve without cost to such city or town as appoints them. Therefore, there will not be a great rush on the part of people to spend Sunday watching motorists and Monday in court, when there is not a cent in it for them.

Non-residents are allowed to operate their cars here 10 days without having them registered. Under the old law it was seven days, and their chauffeurs could not operate the cars. Now the chauffeurs, if licensed in their own state, may drive the cars. The law does not specifically state that the 10 days shall be in any one calendar year, and that brings one back to the old fact that a person may drive out of the state before the 10 days are up and come back again. However, that is hardly worth bothering about.

There does not appear to be anything in the new law that says a motorist must have his numbers painted on his side lamps. This was one of the rules made by the highway commission, but all the commission's rules are wiped out by the new law, as some of them are embodied in it. The speed laws remain the same. The rear number must be so lighted at night that it may be seen 60 feet away.

The rush to secure new numbers is now on in earnest, and by the new year quite a lot of cars will be registered.

As was naturally to be expected, a howl went up when a lot of motorists secured the new blanks, renewals of driving licenses. The fact that there were three certificates of good character to be filled out amazed them, as they felt some distinction should have been made between private and public operator's licenses. So the commission has compromised the matter by allowing applicants for renewals of private licenses to forego the character certificates. Applicants for original private licenses must have the certificates filled out, however.

JAMES M. BECK

Is Counsel for Sugar Trust

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The American Sugar Refining company in its battle with the government has drawn into its service some of the ablest lawyers in the United States. James M. Beck has recently been appointed

senior counsel for the trust and it is understood, will hereafter conduct the defense of the big organization. John E. Parsons, former chief counsel, will retire. Mr. Beck was assistant attorney general of the United States from 1900 to 1903 and has argued some of the biggest trust cases before the supreme court in recent years. It is announced that sensational developments may be expected in the sugar investigation at any time.

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LADIES' HOSIERY

Ladies' Black Embroidered Hose. Garter top, double sole 50c

Ladies' Black Silk Hose. Garter top, double heel and toe $1.00

Silk Hose. Double sole and garter top in pink, blue, lavender, yellow, tan $1.00

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Four Pairs Regular 50c Embroidered Hose for $1.50 Per Box

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Corset Covers, Gowns, Combination Skirts, all prices, daintily boxed.

HANDKERCHIEFS

Pure Linen Embroidered Initial..12 1-2c or 75c Box

Pure Linen, Fancy Embroidered Corners....12 1-2c

Ladies' Maderia, Embroidered, handsome, 25c, 50c, 75c

Children's Handkerchiefs in various styles of fancy boxes 15c, 19c, 25c

SILK SKIRTS

With a three month's guarantee $5.00

Ribbons Ribbons Ribbons Ribbons

IN CHOICE DESIGNS AND LOWEST PRICES, ALL WIDTHS, SUITABLE FOR THE THOUSAND AND ONE BEAUTIFUL GIFTS TO BE MADE FROM THEM.

MIDDLESEX NORTH

Good Word for Fair at Chelmsford

Here's a good word for the Middlesex North Agricultural society:

To the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

Dear Sir: I visited the fair of the Middlesex North Agricultural society at Chelmsford on the second day of the fair. They held it in connection with the Chelmsford Grange at the town hall.

The display of vegetables and fruit was very good. The show of stock and poultry was good. In the domestic department the ladies' work was fine. A marked feature of the show was the beautiful exhibits of four granges, Chelmsford, Billerica, Tewksbury and Dracut, the best exhibits by these granges that your inspector ever saw, or can expect to see, and we doubt if they can be excelled by any fair in the state.

Another interesting feature was the show of beans by the children. Last spring Supt. Chase gave to about 300 children in the schools of Dracut, Tyngsboro, Tewksbury and North Reading, 25 beans each to plant, and the display was the result of their labors. It seemed to be a step in the right direction to get the children interested in gardening and farming.

The society has sold its grounds, cleared off its debt, and has some $7000 or $8000 in the treasury. They have no trotting, but instead a good old-fashioned cattle show. We saw nothing objectionable and we consider the society entitled to the bounty of the state. My thanks are due to Mr. George M. Trull and the officers of the society for favors shown your inspector.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry A. Turner, Inspector.

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SEASONABLE GIFTS

We have everything in the line of out or indoor implements to make the Boys, Girls, Men and Women healthy and strong.

FOR OUTDOOR SPORTS

Snowshoes ..... $3.00 to $5.00
Skates ..... 60c to $4.00
Toboggans ..... $2.50 to $9
Skis ..... $2.00 to $8.00
Hockey Sticks.... 25c to $1.00
Guns and Rifles..... $3.00 up
Mocassins ..... $1.50 to $3.00
Sweaters ..... $2.00 to $6.00
Bicycles.

FOR INDOOR SPORT

Burrows Billiard Tables, $20.00 to $50.00
Boxing Gloves ..... $1.25 to $6
Whitely Exerciser..$2.00, $3.00
Punching Bags..... $1.25 to $5
Basket Balls ..... $1.25 to $6
Bowling Shoes.... $2.50, $3.25
Basket Ball Shoes... 65c and up
Indian Clubs..... 25c to 50c
Dumb Bells ..... 25c to $2

Golf Clubs, Golf Balls, Caddy Bags, Tennis Rackets, Base Balls, Bats, Gloves and Mitts, Flexible Flyer Sleds.

ATHLETIC CLOTHING—Sweaters, Jerseys, Toques, Skating Caps and Gymnasium Suits.

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Sporting Goods Dept., CENTRAL, COR. MARKET STS.

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CHRISTMAS

At Sacrifice Prices

Men's 75c Black Leather Slippers..49c a Pair
Men's $1.50 Kid Lined Slippers....98c a Pair
Ladies' 75c Felt Slippers.....49c a Pair
Ladies' $1.00 Felt Slippers.....69c a Pair
Ladies' $1.25 Felt Juliettes.....98c a Pair

SPECIALS

Ladies' $2.50 Gun Metal Button Shoes...$1.98
Boys' $1.50 Seamless Shoes, sizes 10 to 2... 98c
Boys' $2.00 Box Calf Blucher Shoes.....$1.49
Men's $4.00 Storm Boots.....$2.98
Boys' $3.00 Storm Boots.....$1.98
Boys' High Cut Storm Boots at.....$1.98

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KODAKS $1 to $50

CHRISTMAS POP CORN ALL SHELLED.

Six Cents Pound, Five Pounds 25 Cents. And Steel Popper 25c.

Our Brass Goods

We have an extensive line of articles in Brass. These are the popular presents this year. We have an elegant line of candlesticks from 15c to $8.00.

Over 100 patterns to select from. Nothing better for a present.

We also have a full line of Shades and Cuirasses and Candles.

Brass Dishes
Brass Jardinieres
Brass Finger Bowls
Brass Trays
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Brass Tea Caddies
Brass Book Holders
Brass Stamp Boxes
Brass Jewel Cases
Brass Fern Dishes

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ANDIRONS, FIRESETS, SCREENS

Fenders and everything for the fireplace. Special Brass Andirons.....$3.00 Pair

"Out of the Usual" Line

HOT WATER BOTTLES. We have a full line of these in Nickel and Leather Covers; also cases for same. This is something every auto owner should have.....Pint size, $3.00; quart size, $5.00

Baldwin Tumbler Holders, 2's, 4's, 6's.

CUTLERY DEPARTMENT

Anything needed in the Cutlery line we have. Scissors of every kind—Desk Scissors, Scissor Sets, Stork Scissors, Manicure Scissors, Manicure Sets, Grape and Flower Scissors.

RAZORS

We have all the best Safety Patterns. Gillette's and Gem Junior and various kinds.

SKATES AND SLEDS

Pocket Knives

No better present can be given than a good knife. We have the very finest line ever displayed in Lowell. Prices to fit any purse .....15c to $10.00

Beautiful Pearl and Combination Knives. Any man will be pleased with a Pearl Handle Combination Knife, with various blades and scissors also.

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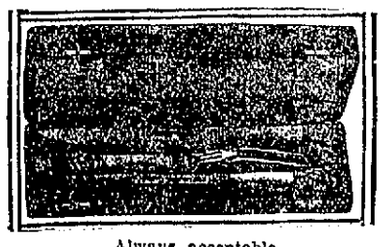


Always acceptable.
Carving Knives for Roasts, Carving Knives for Birds, Carving Knives for Beefsteak, 35c to $25.00

PLATED WARE

We carry nothing but the best quality in this line.

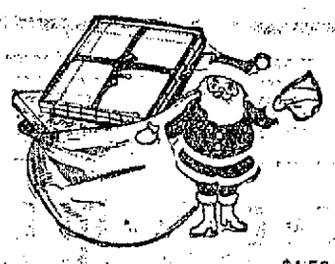
BAROMETERS THERMOMETERS

SPECIAL—Pop Corn, 6c lb., 5 lbs. 25c, for Christmas.

THE THOMPSON HARDWARE CO., 254-256 MERRIMACK STREET

The one all pervading thought now. Everybody's making something under cover or buying something on the Q. T. All sorts of interesting little mysteries are in the air. People are hurrying here and there to find what most suits their fancy. Many are waiting until the last and then will try to buy everything at once. Don't do it. You won't get nearly the assortment to pick from, neither will you get the (Everybody will be waited upon but morning shopping is easiest) attention that you would get now.

Dainty Handkerchiefs



Beautiful Handkerchiefs in boxes, six pure linen embroidered handkerchiefs, in pretty holiday boxes, per box $1.50

Six Dainty Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in boxes, the daintiest kind of a gift for Christmas, at per box 50c and 75c

Six Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, in pretty ready to send as a gift at per box 75c

Six Cross Barred Initial Handkerchiefs, in fancy Christmas boxes, at per box 45c

Beautiful Lace Handkerchiefs, now on display for the holidays, at each 12 1-2c

Embroidered Handkerchiefs, dainty designs, very special at 12 1-2c

Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in fancy edge or hemmed, 100 patterns to select from, each 10c

Fancy Embroidered Xmas Handkerchiefs ..... 10c Each

Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered corner .... 10c Each

Lace Edge Handkerchiefs, embroidered or cross bar, scalloped edge with corner embroidered in colors, 5c Each

Children's Handkerchiefs, three in fancy box, white or colored border, per box 19c

Children's Initial Handkerchiefs, three in box 25c

Christmas Jewelry

Ladies' Fancy Pins, three in a box ..... 48c a Set

Babies' Initial Pins, two in a fancy box 48c

Brooch Pins, in assorted stones and brilliants 48c

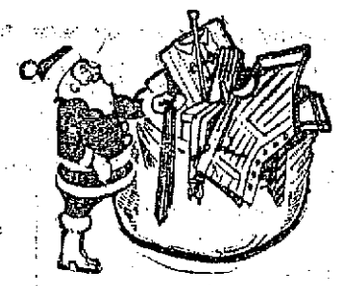
Newest Styles in Brooch Pins, assorted stones 24c

Hat Pins, in all newest designs, put up in a holly box, 24c and 48c

Men's Cuff Links, in old gold or oxidized silver, 48c a Pair

Cuff Links and Scarf Pins, all the latest styles. Prettily boxed ..... 48c a Pair

His Xmas Gifts Cost Less Here



Choosing suitable gifts for "Him" is an easy matter here.

Men's Neckwear, knitted and plain four-in-hands, thousand colors, also figures, cross and bias stripes. Each tie in a beautiful Christmas box ..... 24c to $1

Bow Ties put up in pretty box 15c

Christmas Suspenders, in fancy boxes, also combination sets including suspenders, garters and armlets to match or suspenders and four-in-hand Tie to match, 24c and 48c

Men's Gloves, all our high grade street and driving Gloves, prettily boxed, make acceptable gifts ..... 98c to $4.50

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, splendid variety of fancy and plain colors, with or without initial ..... 24c and 48c

Men's Handkerchiefs, a good gift at a small investment, fine cambric and linen, hemstitched, plain or initial, 12 1-2c to 48c

Jewelry—Every man uses a pair of Cuff Links, many use Pins also. We have prettily boxed sets including links and pin to match, at ..... 24c and 48c

Mufflers, fancy weave Phoenix Mufflers and plain handkerchief mufflers, also in silk and cashmere. Put up in a box ..... 48c to $2

Bags and Suit Cases

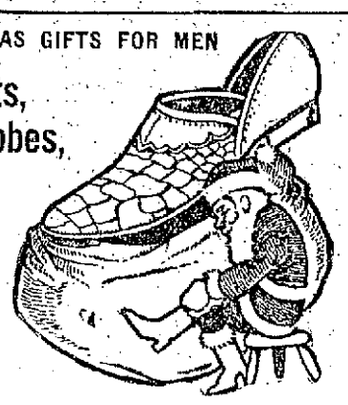
Club Bags, in tan colored rawhide, leather and cloth lined, $3 to $6.50

Suit Cases, sheepskin and cowhide, heavily reinforced corners, double lock, steel frame, some satin lined and some fitted with toilet cases ..... $3 to $8

Ladies' Suit Cases, 22 and 24 inch, light weight, made in rattan, leather bound $1.98

IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN

House Coats, Lounging Robes, Slippers, Etc.



Comfortable "homey" togs that will make him stay at home nights.

Housecoats of smart, durable faced cloth in plain blue, gray and brown, with contrasting blacks; also fine soft American Blanket Robes, extra full cut, with fine girdles, pretty designs and nifty borders ..... $4 and $5

Men's Slippers, comfortable and handy, of imitation alligator, black and brown velvet and genuine alligator, opera and Harvard cut ..... 49c to $1.98

Xmas Games and Books

GAMES

Ben Hur
Telegraph Boy
Game of Politics
Game of Fortune
Charge of Light Brigade
Go Bang

$1 Games at **48c**

Jack Straws
Authors
Lotto
Snap
Pistol and Target
Fifty Up and Others

Choice at **24c**

FULL LINE OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS ..... 5c and 10c

Lowest Prices in DOLLS

SPECIAL—Closed out an importer's sample line of Dressed Dolls, comprising the latest styles of up-to-date dresses—some silk, some satin. Worth $1.25 to $2.50 each. While they last 98c

ALSO—16 1-2 Inch Dolls, with moving eyes and joints, selected kid shoes and stockings. Big values and won't last long. Worth 75c ..... Priced at 49c

Big Line of Jointed Sleeping Dolls, dressed in silk, satin and wash dresses, light or dark hair; also kid body dolls with moving eyes, and wool dolls ... A big value at 24c

Ladies' Neckwear and Corset Covers

Fancy Net Jabot and Silk Collar, put up in fancy Christmas boxes. An exceptional gift at 98c.

Stock or Jabot Collars, all shades, ornamented with gilt and Persian braid, put up in fancy box 48c

Stock Collars, with or without jabots, trimmed with fancy braid, spangles and ruchings, boxed in handsome Christmas boxes 24c

Corset Covers in Fancy Box, real lace trimmings on back and front, three rows of ribbon 48c

Persian Lawn Corset Covers, very fine embroidery, two rows ribbon with bows, prettily boxed 75c

Fine Batiste Corset Covers, lace and medallion trimmed. These are put up in fine Christmas box 95c

Kimonas and Dressing Sacques

Ladies' Long Flannelette Kimonas with shirred back, rolled collar, button on sides, panel front, satin trimmed. Regular value $3.98 ..... $2.98

Long Kimonas of Flannelette with high or Dutch neck, plain or side tucked with belt, extra full. Regular value 98c 79c

Dressing Sacques with empire or shirred back in all the newest shades, ribbon trimmed, ribbon ties. Regular value $1.98 ..... $1.48

Dressing Sacques in German flannelette, extra heavy with sailor collar or turned down collar and rolled cuffs, shirred or box plaited back, ribbon trimmed. Regular value $1.25 ..... 95c

Dressing Sacques or short Kimonas in high neck, fancy colors, fitted waist line or belt. Regular value 59c, 47c

Dressing Sacques in black and white figure, silver gray or navy blue. Regular value 50c 39c

Something For Baby

Infants' Mocassins, with rosettes in plain white and white with blue or pink trimmings 25c

Infants' Booties, in quilted satin, bear skin and chamois, red, pink, blue, white and dresden. 24c, 48c and 98c

Pretty Box, containing a pair of infant's silk hose and white mocassins, very useful and pretty 98c

Bearskin Bonnets, in all the latest shades, finished with cord and satin ribbon ... 48c to 69c

Felt Bonnets, in the Dutch effect, trimmed with pink or blue satin lace ruching 95c

Infants' Knit Sasques or Kimonas, in white, trimmed with blue or pink 48c

Infants' Long Kimonas, in flannel, white trimmed in Persian colors 48c

FURS At Remarkable Price Concessions

A Winter Remarkable For Its Lack of Cold Weather is Also Noticeable for its Low Fur Prices—the One Led to the Other and Right When the Christmas Spirit is Turning Folks' Attention to These Luxurious Gifts.

At $2.95—Fur sets, worth $4, stylish, warm furs made of black or brown coney, large square muff and long satin lined throw.

At $1.95—Squirrel Sets worth $3, used by misses and children as well as ladies. Pillow Muff and throw to match.

At $11.95—White Iceland Fox Sets, worth $20. These are rich and handsome and are the rage this season.

At $9.95—Black Australian Lynx Sets, worth $15. Full size rug Muff and shawl collar, guaranteed satin lining.

At $20—Black Lynx Sets, worth $27.50. Pillow or rug muff and shawl collars. This set will be sold in separate pieces at $10 each.

At $40—Mink Sets, worth $60. Large pillow or rug muff, six heads on shawl. Only three of these left. A big trade.

Aprons as Gifts

Ladies' Tea Aprons in dotted Swiss, with embroidered ruffle 48c

Cross Bar Tea Aprons, in assorted checks, with fine embroidered ruffle 48c

Square Tea Aprons, with val. or hamburg insertions and ruffle, extra wide ties 48c

Bretelle Tea Aprons, in plain or dotted Swiss with hamburg bretelles and long ties, 48c, 69c

Long Aprons in Bretelle, with hamburg bretelles and bib 48c

Bretelle Aprons, in plain muslin, with fancy embroidered bib 24c

Dotted Swiss and Plain Lawn Tea Aprons, in square or round, extra fine quality 24c

Long, Plain White Skirt Aprons, can be worn either side, two widths 48c

Long Apron, with insertion and cluster hemstitched tuck and long ties 48c

FANCY BELTS

Ladies' Fancy Mercerized Belts, in light blue, green, navy or black, with fancy buckle 24c

Ladies' Silk or Satin Embroidered Belts, in all the newest shades, buckles to match 48c

Fancy Dresden Elastic Belts, with beautiful jeweled buckles, 98c and $1.50

J·L·CHALIFOUX
49 to 59 CENTRAL ST.

UMBRELLAS AS GIFTS

Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas made of fine twilled cloth, natural wood and fancy handles 98c

Fine Mercerized Twill and Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, ladies' and men's sizes, plain or fancy handles ..... $1.48 and $2

Fine Grade Taffeta Silk and All Silk Umbrellas, gold trimmed handles, for ladies and men ..... $3, $4 and $5

SULLIVAN LOST

Defeated by Seiger in Great Battle

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—In one of the hardest fought battles witnessed here this season Joe Seiger of Denver won from Kid Sullivan of Washington in 10 rounds before the Eureka A. C. Sullivan was game, but his opponent was too strong and gradually wore the Washingionian down to almost a state of helplessness. The contest was fairly even for six rounds, but after this Seiger had the better of the argument and Sullivan's seconds threw up the sponge in the 10th.

FAST ALL THE WAY

LAWRENCE, Dec. 17.—A large crowd attended the weekly meeting of the Unity club last night and witnessed 12 rounds of fast boxing between Kid Mercier of Lawrence and Kid Shea of Hallowell, Me. The referee called it a draw.

Kid Lafleur of Haverhill won over Young Ryan of Lawrence in the second round; Young Dionne beat Young Mulvey of Lowell and Kid Murphy of Lawrence fought a fast six-round draw.

Jimmy Burke of this city was referee.

HOUCK POUNDS LOCKE

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 17.—Leo Houck of Lancaster gave Kid Locke of Philadelphia a terrible lacing last night but did not have the steam necessary to send him to the woods. Kid held his own in the first round, but the next two were easily Houck's, who gave Locke a severe gruelling on the ropes in the infighting.

In the sixth the gong found the Philadelphian strong and fighting hard, avoiding Houck's knockout blow.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Court Wamesit, Foresters of America, met in regular session last night in Weavers' hall, Chief Ranger E. A. Santos presiding. Five applications for membership were received and three new members were initiated. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

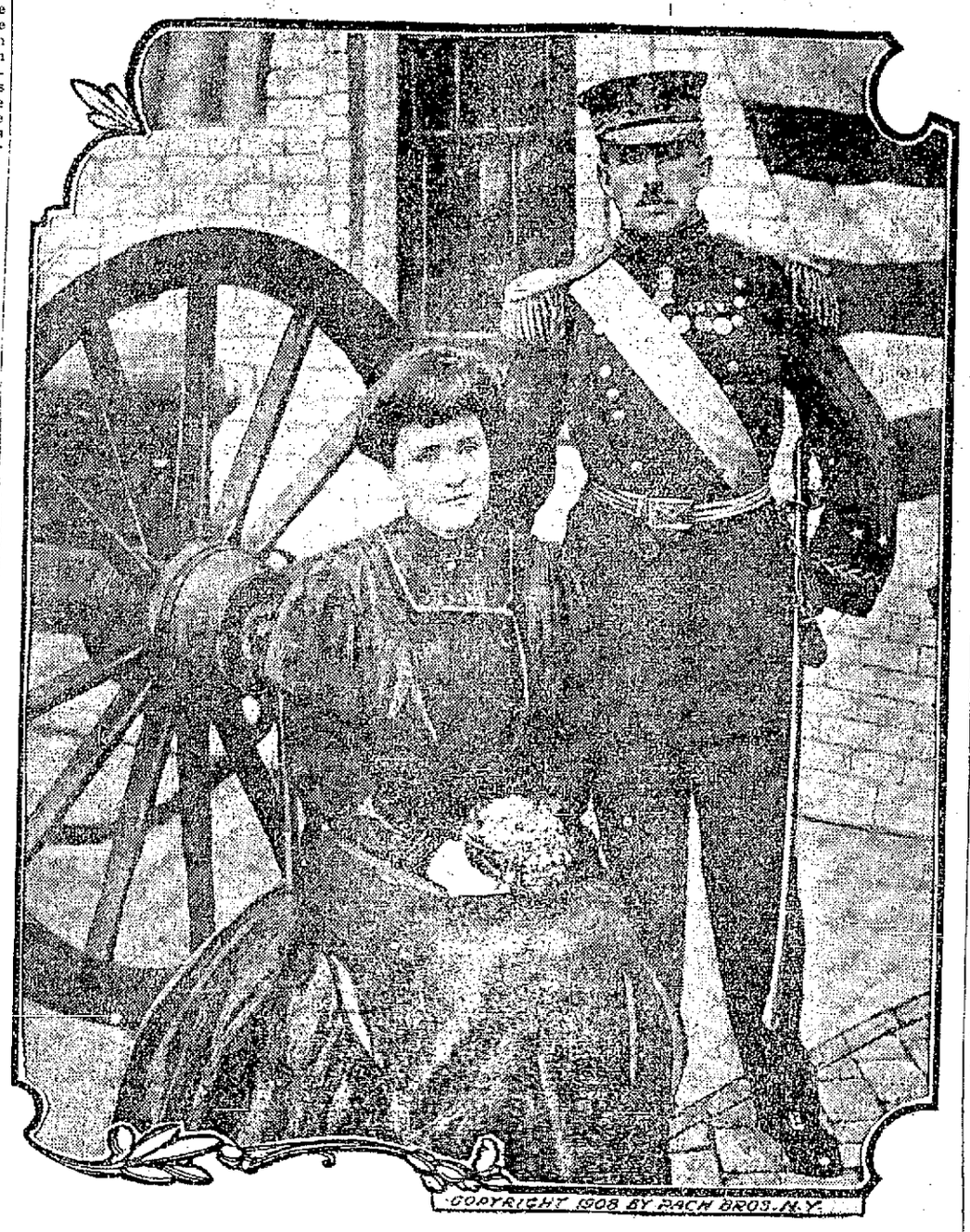
Chief ranger, E. A. Santos; sub chief ranger, Henry Draper; treasurer, John E. Maguire; financial secretary, Thomas F. Garvey; recording secretary, James White; senior woodward, Geo. Murphy; junior woodward, James Gill; junior beadle, James Farrell; physician, Dr. James E. Leary.

M. U. Odd Fellows

The regular meeting of Victoria lodge, I. O. O. L., M. U., was held last night. There was a large attendance and considerable business was transacted, the most important of which was the election of officers for the ensuing year which resulted as follows:

N. G., Mrs. A. Fletcher; V. G., Mrs. C. Lyness; P. S., Mrs. J. Scoble; treasurer, Mrs. M. E. Siddell; E. S., Miss Ida Boughton; warden, Mrs. A. Worth; chapain, Mrs. M. McIntyre; conductor, Miss E. Spilling; pianist, Miss M. Davies; chief of staff, Mrs. J. Scoble; delegate, Mrs. M. E. Siddell.

GENERAL WOOD, THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR CHIEF OF ARMY, AND MRS. WOOD



WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The announcement here that Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the department of the east, is President Taft's choice for chief of staff of the army to succeed Brigadier General J. Franklin Bell, whose detail is soon to expire, has caused no end of talk in army circles. When he assumes his exalted post General Wood will have established an almost unparalleled record for rapid promotion. In twelve years he will have risen from assistant surgeon with the rank of captain to the head of the army. Here is General Wood's record: June, 1884, graduated from Harvard Medical school; in 1886 appointed from civil life to lieutenant and assistant surgeon, U. S. A.; January, 1891, promoted to captain and assistant surgeon; May, 1898, appointed colonel of the First cavalry, United States volunteers, known as the rough riders; July 8, 1898, promoted to be brigadier general for services at Las Guasimas and San Juan Hill; Dec. 7, 1898, promoted to be major general, United States volunteers; April 13, 1899, honorably discharged from the volunteers organized to meet the emergency of the Spanish-American war and the same day reappointed to the special organization of volunteers necessitated by the Philippine uprising as a brigadier general; Dec. 5, 1899, made major general of volunteers; Feb. 4, 1901, appointed brigadier general, U. S. A.; Aug. 8, 1903, appointed major general, U. S. A.

MADE TARGET RECORD

MOBILE, Dec. 17.—During the recent target practice at Ft. Forgan, the 55th coast artillery is said to have established a record for that branch of the service. Firing twelve inch mortars at targets 5500 yards out in the gulf at intervals of 40 seconds, twelve targets were hit out of 14 shots.

Still in Business on the Old Corner, Selling Medicines and Druggists' Goods as Low as the Lowest

For the Christmas Holidays

YOU WILL FIND THIS STORE WELL EQUIPPED TO SERVE YOU WITH THE HIGHEST GRADE GOODS

As for prices, the reputation which we have gained by a half century of business in this city is an assurance that we are never undersold. We invite you to put on your list for Christmas—

PERFUMES—We have them, both domestic and the finest imported. **TOILET REQUISITES**—All the standard articles in this line, including the celebrated Madame Yale products, which are now being demonstrated here. **MANICURE SETS**—Our line of these goods is unequalled in Lowell. **MEDICINE CABINETS**—We are showing an exceedingly attractive cabinet, which when filled with household remedies, makes a most acceptable gift. **CIGARS**—We carry all the best grades and those ladies who wish to present their husbands or sweethearts a fine box of cigars can obtain here, a box that will please. **BOX CANDIES**—The goods which we carry in this department are the high quality kind, pure and wholesome, attractively put up. **JUST CALL**—You will be likely to see many other things which will make most acceptable holiday gifts.

Bring your physicians' prescriptions to this Drug Store and they will be properly compounded with the purest ingredients.

A. W. DOWS & CO.

—Leading Druggists—

IN THE NEW STORE ON THE OLD CORNER

WHITE ARRESTED

Assault With Intent to Kill, is the Charge

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 17.—Joseph D. White of North Bend street was arrested Wednesday night and placed in jail, charged with assault with intent to kill.

He is charged with assaulting January Ploof, his father-in-law, who dropped dead Wednesday afternoon at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Delia Lucca of North avenue. Mr. Ploof, who was 74 years old, is said to have died from the effects of injuries received at the hands of Mr. White on the evening of Dec. 9, the time of the alleged assault.

It is charged that White beat and knocked down the deceased with a club, hitting Mr. Ploof partly on the body and partly on the head. The alleged assault occurred at Mr. White's home. It is further charged that White beat the deceased with his fists.

At the time of the assault White was arrested on two charges, intoxication and breach of the peace. He made arrangements to pay the fines and costs and until Wednesday evening was at liberty.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, wish to thank all those who by their many acts of kindness helped to lessen our sorrow in the hour of our bereavement, and also those who so kindly sent flowers.

John McCann and family,
Miss Eliza Greenall,
Mrs. Alice Needham.

Dancing at Prescott hall, tonight.

FAMOUS CHARACTER DEAD

COLORADO SPRINGS, Dec. 17.—John Hopkins, once a famous character throughout the west, died in the El Paso county asylum yesterday, aged 87. He was born near Springfield, Ill., and was the first man to drive the historic express that carried the mail overland from St. Louis to Frisco.

Who Saw the Accident?

Will the person who saw a man thrown from car at corner of Chestnut and Nesmith sts. on August 11th last, kindly send particulars to M. J. J., Sun Office.

CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC CHIC

Dainty "Chic" Undermuslins

In a pretty box make acceptable

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Large assortment and the prices, as usual, less than asked for inferior goods. The only store in Lowell selling "Chic" Underwear.

The "CHIC" Shop

32 Central Street

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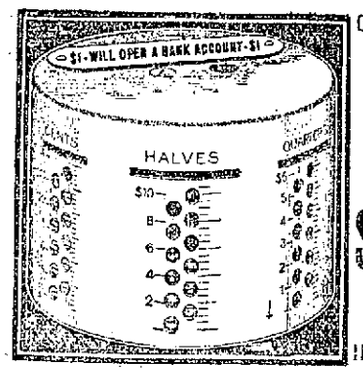
The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank



Corner Merrimack and John Streets.

Give each of the children a

Home Savings Bank

FOR CHRISTMAS

INTEREST BEGINS JAN. 1st.

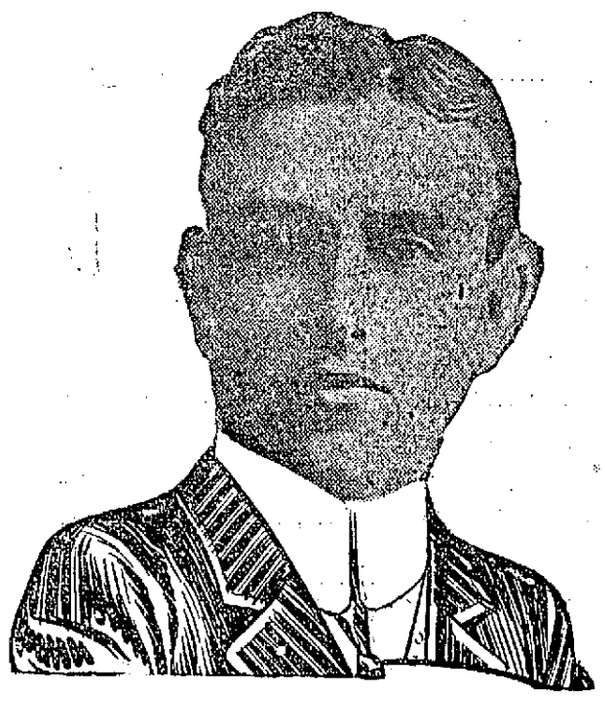
$11.50—IF YOU WERE SURE—$11.50

That for $11.50 I could make you a better suit of clothes than you could get at any tailor shop in New England for $20, would you come in today, this evening or Saturday and get measured?

IF NOT This advertisement is wasted as far as you personally are concerned.

ATTENTION The claim is made by many that a custom made suit or overcoat cannot be built for less than $15. This is practically true, BUT BY BUYING MY GOODS DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURERS IN LARGE LOTS, as I and I alone of all tailors do for SPOT CASH, I save the middleman's profit of from 30 to 50 per cent., which amounts to from $4.50 to $7.50 on each suit or overcoat. My purpose and full intention has been to share with the lover of custom made clothes, this great advantage I possess in obtaining my merchandise.

On Tuesday last I closed out at my own price for spot cash 36 pieces of fancy suitings, all the latest styles and shades, that would cost the average tailor who buys suit patterns, from $3.25 to $4.10 a yard, making it impossible for him to build a suit from such goods for less [illegible] $20 to $25. Remember 36 whole [illegible] of the finest woolens you ever saw, mostly heavy weight, some medium weight suitable for all year round wear. I invite every man in Lowell to see and handle these goods. If you don't want a suit now it will educate you in future buying, and it's no harm to look. Samples cheerfully given.



My Best Ads. are Worn, Not Written.
Will Make These to Your Order, Fit, Workmanship, Satisfaction in Every Detail Guaranteed.

Suit or Overcoat to Order $11.50

$11.50 MITCHELL, The Tailor, 24 Central St. $11.50

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WAS FOUND DEAD

Chicago Woman Hanged Herself in Her Home

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Lillian Zeller, a stenographer, daughter of J. W. Zeller, 21 Sanborn avenue, Big Rapids, Mich., was found dead last midnight hanging to a gas chandelier of a room on the fifth floor of the Palmer house. She had hanged herself with a sheet. The room was occupied, according to the hotel register, by A. W. Morse, Chicago representative of a Harrisburg, Pa., concern.

Morse said that he had known Miss Zeller for six years. He met her at her home. He believed her to be married. She came to his room early yesterday morning and complained of despondency, according to Morse. He had left her there to rest, he said, while he went out to attend to some business. On his return last midnight he found the body hanging in the room.

Miss Zeller was identified by a receipt for room rent at a family hotel. A note found on the girl's body read: "Generally when you make a mistake you are supposed to correct it, but if it is a matrimonial (here a word is blurred) you are expected to deny it and stick it out."

The girl has been employed by a labor agency. Morse will be held by the police as a witness at the inquest.

EXTRA DIVIDEND

AND SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND DECLARED

The Lowell Bleachery has declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. and an extra dividend of 10 per cent., payable Jan. 1, 1910, on stock of record Dec. 6, 1909.

Bright, Sears & Co.
BANKERS AND BROKERS
Wyman's Exchange
SECOND FLOOR

IMPORTANT
Order Early Do It Now
Owing to the large increase of orders for Ice Cream on holidays, we are compelled to announce that no orders will be taken for Christmas Day after 9 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 23.
When giving your order, please have it repeated to you, and be sure and state at what time it is to be used.
Telephone 134.
D. L. PAGE CO.

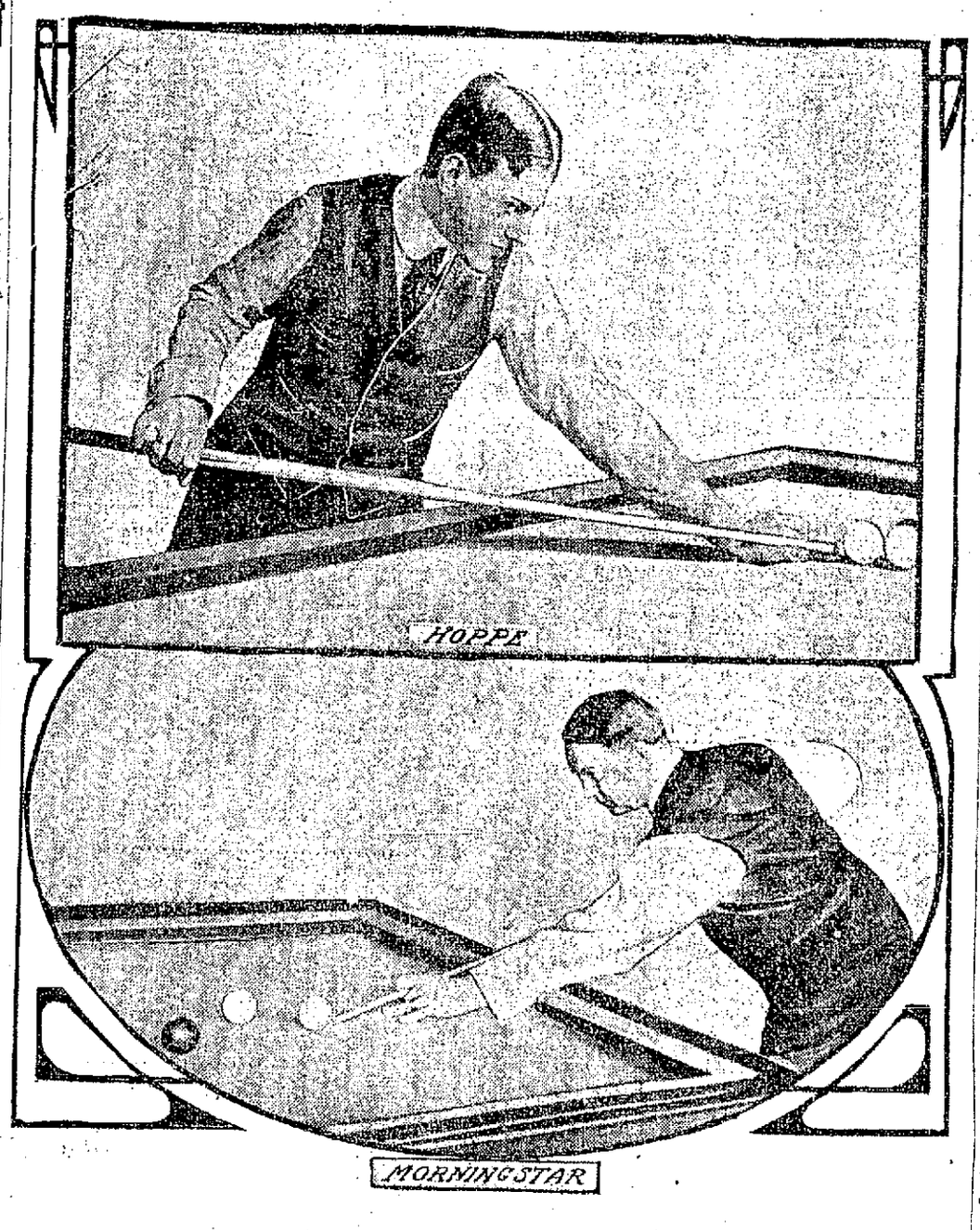
Geo. H. Wood

The crowds are gathering as usual at our old reliable Jewelry House, 137 to 151 Central street. This they have been doing for more than thirty years, as the trading public has the utmost confidence in us and knows that what we advertise is true. We haven't the time to write advertisements and tell the grandeur of our stock. Everybody knows that we are the only retail and wholesale jewelry dealers in Lowell. The early bird catches the worm.

Our specialty from now until after Christmas for morning customers is a lot of beautiful white diamonds which we will sell for $22.50, the regular cost being $25.00. We will also sell 25 solid gold Waltham watches to early morning callers for $16.00. These are regular $25.00 and $33.00 watches. Call today and look over our store.

George H. Wood's Jewelry Store
137 TO 151 CENTRAL STREET.

TWO EXPERT BILLIARD PLAYERS WHO WILL CROSS CUES FOR CHANCE AT 18.2 TITLE



CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—After fighting for more than two years to have the rules governing championship billiard matches revised to suit his own particular notions Willie Hoppe, the youthful expert, recently capitulated to the so called trust and with Ora Morningstar, another "insurgent," signed a contract pledging himself to renew the old allegiance with the powers that be. This removes the last bar in the way of a match between Hoppe and Calvin Demarest, the winner of the recent tournament for the 18.2 balk line title. Though he has given up his fight, Hoppe will find himself more or less on the outside for a year or more. He will play a match with Morningstar in Chicago Jan. 1 to determine which shall have the privilege of issuing the next challenge to the champion, but even there Hoppe will find himself balked. Demarest has already agreed to meet Harry Cline for the title at Chicago on Feb. 1, 2 and 3, and when the word was passed that Hoppe was weakening and would probably be in line within a few days Albert Cutler, the Boston player, immediately shot in a challenge to meet the winner of the Demarest-Cline match. Under the rules the winner of the match between Demarest and Cline will have sixty days in which to make up his mind to play Cutler should he succeed in defeating Cline. This would put off any match with Hoppe until away along in June. It is hardly probable that a game at that time of the year would appeal to either the players or the promoters, so it is almost a certainty that Hoppe will be forced to wait until next fall at the earliest for a chance at Demarest. In many quarters it is claimed that Hoppe has lost some of his skill that made him famous. However, his game with Morningstar will surely show whether he has or not.

ON STRIKE AGAIN

1800 Polanders Quit Their Work in Ludlow Mills Today

LUDLOW, Dec. 17.—Peace plans went awry today at the bagging mills of the Ludlow Mfg. associates for the 1800 Polanders who returned to work after a strike of several weeks' duration had scarcely got settled in their places when a fresh misunderstanding developed and they all walked out again. Following this action the temper of the strikers became such that the town authorities summoned all of the available police, special officers and deputy sheriffs to assist in maintaining order.

The strikers claimed that they returned to the mill under a misapprehension of the working terms. The plan agreed upon by the members of the state board of conciliation and arbitration, representatives of the mills and representatives of the strikers at a conference here yesterday provided that the strikers return to work at the wages offered by the company, 20 cents per hundred yards of woven cloth. The original strike was against the reduction of four cents in this figure. The agreement reached yesterday provided that the 20 cent rate be kept in force until a final adjustment of the differences was reached.

The strikers claim that they were not correctly informed as to this arrangement, but had been given to understand that they would be paid 24 cents.

The women who had returned today after participating in the strike with the men also became indignant, quit their machines and later made a demand on their own account for higher wages.

In a short time the streets in the vicinity of the mills were filled with a sullen, angry crowd of strikers and threats of violence against the strikebreakers were made openly. So threatening did the situation become that a hurry call was sent out to assemble as soon as possible every available policeman, special officer and deputy sheriff for the purpose of preserving order.

7-20-4
J. R. G. SULLIVANS
10c Cigar
Now packed in boxes of 25 for the holidays. For sale by all first-class dealers.

Search Where You Will
You will not find a more complete stock of Groceries to select from for Christmas than we are able to offer.

Nuts of all kinds
Nut Meats
Florida Oranges
Grape Fruit
Persian Dates
Fard Dates
Stuffed Dates
Figs
Glace Mint
Orange Glace
Honey
Apricots
Evaporated Peaches
Prunellos
Cherry Prunes
Black Prunes
Table Raisins
Sultana Raisins
Sweet Cider
Boiled Cider
Chocolate Crackers
Huntley & Palmers
English Biscuit
French Cherries
Angelica
French Assorted Fruit
Glace Sliced Pineapple
Plum Pudding
Crystalized Ginger
Miss Nourse's Pure Jellies
Franco-American Soup
French Peas
Mushrooms
String Beans
Wax Beans
Asparagus, etc.

F. D. MUNN & SON
THE MERRIMACK SQUARE GROCERS.

FOR NEW PARISH

Archbishop O'Connell Purchases Estate in Highlands

For Catholic Chapel and Parochial Residence in Stevens St., Between Pine and Parker—Papers Were Passed This Week

The Catholic residents of the Highlands will be pleased to learn that Archbishop O'Connell has, this week, purchased land in Stevens street for the purpose of erecting a chapel and establishing a branch of St. Peter's parish in that locality.

The papers were passed early in the week through Herford N. Elliott of the real estate firm of T. H. Elliott & Son and the property is the beautiful Arthur W. Hunking estate at 374 Stevens street on the easterly side of the street midway between Pine and Parker streets. It consists of 46,000 feet of land and a ten room residence. It is assessed for $7250.

The property is particularly well located by reason of the fact that it is in front of property owned by Frank Harris of the Lowell Automobile company which the latter has developed in an elaborate degree. Mr. Harris has recently cut through a street running parallel with Stevens street so that the church property will front on two streets. Furthermore Mr. Harris has laid out a beautiful park just in the rear of the property and with the large amount of land purchased there will be a fine opportunity to develop the grounds surrounding the new chapel. It is understood that the present residence will be used as a parochial residence while a chapel will be erected within a short time.

BOWLING NEWS

Y. M. C. U. Defeated the Belvideres

The Y. M. C. U. bowling team defeated the Belvideres last night in a game in the Catholic league, winning all three strings. McNulty of the winning team was high man with a triple of 286.

In the game between Teams Eight and Ten of the Y. M. C. I. league the former team won two of the three points.

There were two games played in the Manufacturers' league. The game between the Merrimack and Appleton teams resulted in a victory for the former team while the Massachusetts-Lawrence Two teams game also went the same way, the former team winning.

In the Bunting league Team Four won two of the three points from Team Two.

Low scores marked the game between the Carriers and Pneumatics of the Lamson league, the Carriers winning all three points.

The scores:

CATHOLIC LEAGUE
Y. M. C. U.

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Crowley	99	79	94	272
L'Heureux	101	83	92	276
Grandfield	78	93	77	248
McNulty	98	101	87	286
Sheehy	81	98	91	270
Totals	457	454	441	1352

Belvideres

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Curry	107	86	87	280
Murren	83	85	87	255
Clark	99	86	90	275
Gilligan	80	98	82	260
Vlee	84	85	88	257
Totals	453	440	434	1327

Y. M. C. I. TOURNAMENT
Team Eight

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Talbot	94	97	81	272
Tully	84	96	94	274
Tansey	73	69	61	203
Doyle	90	83	83	256
Sub	68	72	78	218
Totals	409	417	397	1223

Team Ten

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Farrington	91	84	98	273
Clark	68	72	87	227
Ahearn	75	80	78	233
Moran	99	84	105	279
Sub	73	69	61	203
Totals	397	389	429	1215

MANUFACTURERS' LEAGUE
Merrimack

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Walmsley	97	94	87	278
Armistead	93	81	92	266
Pickup	82	94	79	255
Duvell	84	67	92	243
Fullerton	94	96	85	275
Totals	450	430	435	1315

Appleton

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Marsden	87	77	90	254
Lyons	88	90	74	252
Carroll	96	85	80	261
Halloway	94	74	74	242
Bowen	99	91	88	278
Totals	464	417	466	1287

Massachusetts

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Webster	91	91	91	273
Mitchell	80	80	78	238
Farrington	78	71	74	223
Read	81	89	89	259
Cove	83	90	97	270
Totals	413	421	429	1263

Lawrence Two

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Pillsbury	76	78	87	241
Peacock	73	79	78	230
Bell	94	92	85	271
Burke	85	95	79	259
Green	82	80	81	243
Totals	410	424	410	1244

BUNTING LEAGUE
Team Two

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Gleason	75	66	84	225
Bailey	75	75	83	233
Shrigley	84	89	99	272
W. Ogden	85	91	79	255
Riley	89	82	88	259
Totals	408	403	433	1244

Team Four

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Helliwell	81	88	87	256
Jacques	80	82	76	238
O'Neil	86	85	89	260
Sharkey	78	86	106	270
Buckley	94	106	68	268
Totals	419	447	426	1292

LAMSON LEAGUE

In a poor game in the Lamson C. S. S. league Crescent alleys, string

Carriers

	1	2	3	Tt'l
McCullough	87	88	75	250
Reynolds	90	78	83	251
Goss	90	88	79	257
Grant	82	63	84	229
Normandy	74	83	94	251
Totals	423	400	415	1238

Pneumatics

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Burndrett	76	68	70	214
Cummings	83	79	66	228
Brousseau	81	73	72	226
Murphy	73	89	88	250
Burns	99	80	79	258
Totals	412	389	375	1176

"LOVELY WINTER"

COMMON MISTAKE ABOUT SEASON OF THE YEAR

"What a lovely winter we're having," one hears on all sides.

It may be that we're going to have a lovely winter when it comes, but as a matter of fact winter does not arrive until Wednesday morning at 6 o'clock. This is a lovely fall.

AT ST. PETER'S

HOLY NAME SOCIETY HELD INTERESTING MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of St. Peter's Holy Name society was held in the Fair hall last evening with a large attendance of members present. President Wm. F. Daly presided. Owing to the absence of Secretary Ward, Patrick J. Frawley was chosen secretary pro tem. There were several propositions for membership submitted, and accepted. A committee of ten was appointed to make arrangements for the quarterly communion breakfast of the society in January. It was announced by Pres. Daly that the annual election of officers will take place at the next meeting. Two committees to nominate candidates were appointed. After remarks were delivered by the spiritual director, Rev. John F. Burns, Pres. Daly and Financial Secretary M. H. McDonough the meeting adjourned.

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DR. HAMILTON

Testifies Against His Daughter

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Five of seven corespondents named in a Brooklyn divorce case sat complacently in court yesterday and heard the testimony of Rev. Dr. Jay Benson Hamilton, who was the chief witness against his daughter, Mrs. Ella Martin, the defendant.

Dr. Hamilton told how he pleaded with Mrs. Martin to mend her ways, after he had discovered her alleged indiscretions from her diary.

As he testified the five corespondents present sat behind the woman with whom they are accused of misconduct and scribbled frequent notes in memorandum books.

DRACUT PASTOR

REV. E. C. BARTLETT TENDERED RECEPTION BY HIS CHURCH

Rev. Ernest C. Bartlett, the recently appointed pastor of the Dracut Centre church, and Mrs. Bartlett, were tendered a reception last night by the members of the church. During the course of the evening several hundred people were in attendance, an enjoyable program was carried out and refreshments were served.

Rev. J. T. Garlyon, of the Centralville M. E. church; Rev. T. A. Carlson, of the Hillside church, and Rev. Forrester A. Macdonald of the Fifth Street Baptist church were present throughout the evening; also Rev. E. V. Bigelow of Lowell and Rev. Mr. Carver of Dracut. On the platform and assisting Rev. and Mrs. Bartlett in receiving were Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Fox.

The ushers of the evening were Henry Peabody, Chester Lake, Arthur Stevens, Lionel Udell, Prince Coburn, Edward Johnson and Clinton Fox.

Mrs. Bert Smithson, president of the Ladies' Aid society, assisted by Mrs. Henry Peabody, vice president, had general charge of the arrangements of the program for the reception.

Those serving refreshments were: Mrs. Henry Coburn, Mrs. Granville Coburn, Mrs. Alion Bryant, Mrs. Asa Stickney, Mrs. Florence Otley, Mrs. Joseph Carpenter, Mrs. Jesse Currier and Mrs. Albert Fox.

Mrs. R. S. Fox and Mrs. M. L. Lurvey had charge of the decorations. Miss Pearl Morgan, violin, and Miss Gladys Whitmore, piano, dispensed an excellent musical program during the evening.

Fancy candlesticks, Welch Bros.

Brass goods are all the rage this fall. The greatest assortment, almost everything made of brass, can be found at the Thompson Hardware company.

AN APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS GREETING

Cardinal Gibbons' Christmas sentiment over his facsimile autograph, in the form of a dainty Xmas card folded with envelope, all ready to mail. This can be found at Prince's book store along with a lot of other beautiful designs in cards.

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Ladies' Pretty Tailored Suits at Jan. Prices

50 Fine Serge, Cheviot and Broadcloth Suits, latest styles, all sizes, Friday and Saturday **$8.98 each.** Every suit well worth $18.50.

100 Ladies' High Grade Sample Suits, finest materials, made to sell as high as $25.00. For Friday and Saturday **$12.98 each.**

350 Ladies', Misses' and Children's Choice Coats, plain and fancy. Just closed out this lot from a large manufacturer at half price. Friday and Saturday prices as follows:

50 Girls', age 13 to 18, Fine Kersey Coats, plain and mixture, **$3.98,** from $8.50.

100 Children's Bear Skin Coats, white, blue, brown, green and gray, **$1.98,** regular price $3.98.

75 Ladies' Long or Short Heavy Kersey Coats, satin lined, loose or tight fitting, **$3.98,** from **$10.00.**

About 125 Special Choice Coats, Drummer's Samples, some sold as high as $25.00. For this sale **$10.00.**

Dress Skirts for **$1.25,** black broadcloth. Worth $2.50.

Caracul Coats, long or short, **$12.98,** value $20.00.

Ladies' Pretty Short Flannelette Kimonas, **50c and $1.00.** Very prettily trimmed; put up in boxes.

Ladies' Long Kimonas, a very choice assortment for **69c, 98c $1.50 and $1.98.**

Ladies' Very Pretty Fleecedown Bath Robes, **$1.98,** regular price $3.00.

Children's Pretty Fleecedown Bath Robes, **$1.50,** from $2.50.

Ladies' Choice Muslin Underwear, put up in boxes; no extra charge for boxes; consisting of Corset Covers, Drawers, Chemise, Night Robes and Combinations, at **Special Low Prices.**

350 dozen Heavy Ideal and Reliance Wrappers and House Dresses. Special. Our **$1.00** Wrapper and House Dress, well worth $1.50. We can show you more wrappers than any house in New England outside Boston. Our prices, styles and sizes always correct. Sizes up to 52.

Our Apron Department loaded down. Working Aprons of pretty ginghams, percales and mercerized cottons, extra large with sleeves, bibs, etc., at prices from **10c up to 50c.**

500 Dozen White Lawn Muslin and Lawnsdale, the largest and best lawn apron ever shown by us. Hemstitched with pocket, for **25c.**

Tea Aprons, **25c, 39c, 50c, 69c and 98c.** Compare our styles and prices before you buy. Pretty boxes thrown in on 50c aprons or over.

Kid Gloves for Men, Women and Children, at rock bottom prices.

Our Special **69c** Fine Kid Glove, in all colors, is well worth $1.

Our **$1.00** Glove is well worth $1.25.

25 Dozen Ladies' Fine Mocha Lined Lisle Gloves, for this sale at **35c each,** in boxes. Have always sold for 50c.

Extraordinary values in Sweaters for men, women and Children. We can give you any color, price or size, at **49c, 50c, 69c, 98c, up to $5.00.** The best assortment we have ever shown.

FURS! FURS! FURS!

Owing to the warm weather we have marked our immense stock of Furs for Ladies, Misses and Children at January prices.

Children's pretty Sets, **69c,** were $1.50.

Ladies' Muffs, **$1.25,** from $2.50.

Ladies' White Sets, **$10.00,** from $20.00.

Black Lynx Sets, **$12.98,** from $25.00.

50 Dozen Ladies' Fine Natural Wool and Camel's Hair Underwear, pure wool goods, all sizes, for **50c;** never sold less than $1.00.

Handkerchiefs for Men, Women and Children at special prices.

Ladies' Comb Sets, Garters, Shawls, Collars, Men's Ties, Suspenders, Garters, Armlets, etc. Full line of new, pretty goods—prices right.

For new, pretty, clean, fresh Christmas goods, see us.

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Most prominent men used to say: "Oh, so much to be done, and so little time to do it." It was because he accomplished so much that he saw so much still ahead to do—it is only the busy man who has time to do things. Christmas shoppers may say the same thing. The time is always short at Christmas to distribute so many goods, but this busy little shop, so accustomed to handling such a large business, is the very shop that can serve you best, individually. The early morning hours are the golden ones—but it will be our pleasure to serve you at your convenience.

Handkerchiefs The Dainty Kind

If Miley's Handkerchiefs are uppermost in your mind, just remember the Home of Handkerchiefs for Goodness and Values. We invite inspection and welcome comparison—that's the best way of selling—at the facts for yourselves, and the only common sense way of determining qualities and relative values.

Women's Pure Irish Hemstitched Linen, Initial, value $1.00, per box of six 75c

Women's Pure Irish Hemstitched Linen, very fine texture, value 17c ..... 12½c each

Women's Pure Irish Linen, also lawns with dainty lace edge, value 10c ..... 12½c each

Women's Embroidered Hemstitched Lawns, value 17c ..... 12½c each

Women's Embroidered Hemstitched Linens, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00

Women's Hand Embroidered Corners, hemstitched linens ..... 25c and 50c

Women's Lace Edge, dainty patterns, 50c, 75c, $1.00 up to $5.00

Men's Pure Linen, initial, 6 to a box 75c

Men's pure Linen, plain, each 12½c, 25c, 50c

Men's Pure Linen, initial, 25c each, box of 6 .... $1.50

Children's Handkerchiefs in beautiful Christmas boxes, 3 in each box ..... 15c and 25c

Christmas Neckwear

Buyers anxious to procure the dainty things must buy now—there's little chance of your picking up just what you want if you wait too long. Stock depletion will be the proper thing from now on.

Hand Embroidered Rabats, all colors .. 25c and 50c

Lace, Muslin and Irish Crochet Rabats, 25c to $1.50

Silk and Lace Trimmed Stocks ..... 25c to $1.50

Venise and Irish Crochet Stocks ..... 25c and 50c

Boxed Cord Ruching, 6 neck lengths, 25c and 50c

Collar and Cuff Sets, Swiss embroidery, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00

Belts In Christmas Boxes

There may be bigger Belt stocks to choose from in Lowell, but there's none better for quality, value or desirability. We invite everybody thinking seriously of the belt question to get in touch with our stock and see what we're offering at, 50c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50

Gloves of Quality

Quality is a factor in all merchandise, but we know of nothing more important than quality in GLOVES—Miley's gloves are the best money and brains can produce at the prices charged for the [illegible] and our liberal guarantee stands behind every pair, whether $1.00 or $5.00.

Women's gloves, all kinds all prices each the best of their class ..... $1.00 to $5.00

Men's Gloves

Men's Gloves, reindeer or dogskin $1.50

Men's Gloves, Scotch double wool, Dent's, $1.50

Children's unlined and lined kid, ... $1.00, $1.25

Children's Scotch wool gloves 25c, 50c

Children's Cashmere Gloves 25c

Hosiery, Silk and Lisle

Our Christmas Hosiery Values are the best obtainable anywhere in the United States, and you may rest assured at all times you'll never find a price lower than ours for goods of equal quality.

Christmas Specials consist of black silk stockings, spliced lisle soles, heels and toes and double lisle garter tops, excellent value. ..... $1.00 pair

Buy three pairs plain lisle 50c stockings and save 50c. Three pairs in fancy Christmas boxes for $1.00

Instead of $1.50.

New shipment embroidered lisle, beautiful patterns. Special ..... 50c pair

Holiday Waists

The new December models just arrived, embody advanced ideas for 1910.

Linon, Lawn, Batiste, French Serge and Scotch Flannel. New patterns $1.95

Other models in finer fabrics and more elaborate trimmings, ... $2.95, $3.95, $5.00

For those who appreciate good value at 95c, we have taken three numbers formerly sold for $1.50, broken sizes, and offer them with our regular line at 95c

ANNUAL DANCE

The annual social and dance of the Lennox club was held last night at Associate hall. There was a large attendance and an enjoyable time was had by those who attended. Music for dancing was furnished by Kittredge's orchestra.

The success of the affair was due to the work of the following officials:

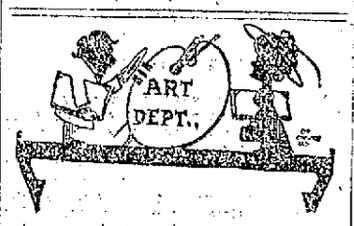
General manager, John Gregoire; assistant general manager, Horace Landry; floor director, William Langton; assistant floor director, Peter Andreoli; chief aid, H. Bechard; assistant chief aid, Charles Cochran; aids, J. Ahearn, A. Berard, G. Richard, J. Berard, J. Tucke, J. White, R. Swan, J. Ryan, W. Murphy, J. Ford, W. Berard, E. Deslanders, Miss Carrie Tilton, Miss Tillie Landry, Miss Birdie Ross, Miss May Connelly, Miss Josie Landry, Miss Sadie Higgins, Miss Nora Reagan, Miss May Rourke, Miss Margaret Boyle, Miss Kittie Kennedy, Miss Annie Kennedy, Miss Laura Pierce; treasurer, Fred Gregoire.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned desire to thank their many friends and neighbors for the great kindness shown them during their affliction on the death of their little daughter, Florence. They are particularly grateful for the many floral offerings sent by friends and relatives, particularly the employes of the Lawrence warp room, the Lamson C. S. S. bowling league, Jas. Doyle, Marion Devine, Miss Naud and others. To one and all they are deeply grateful and will ever hold their kindness in grateful remembrance.

(Signed)

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Gendron.



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SEN. LODGE, PROBABLE NEW AMBASSADOR TO GREAT BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—It is currently reported in diplomatic circles that Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts will succeed Whitelaw Reid as ambassador to Great Britain. It is said the post was offered to Senator Lodge a year ago by President Roosevelt. The plan to make Senator Lodge ambassador fell through at the time because the senator, while not absolutely declining, induced Mr. Roosevelt to hold the appointment in abeyance. Even now Senator Lodge may not be willing to accept the post. His senatorial term will expire on March 4, 1911. There is no doubt that President Taft would be glad to send the senator to London if he could be induced to accept. There is a growing belief that with the retirement of Ambassador Reid, James Bryce, the British ambassador at Washington, will also be recalled. The British government is reputed to be merely waiting to see the type of ambassador that the United States will send to London before a new representative at Washington is selected.

Christmas lamps at Welch Bros.

MONTH'S MIND MASS

There will be a month's mind mass at St. Patrick's church at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning for the late Mrs. Bessie McKenzie, daughter of Mrs. McCrann and sister of the magician, Larry McCrann.

Mrs. Anna E. P. Quinlan of New York is the guest of Mrs. Mary Callahan of 60 Bartlett street. Mrs. Quinlan will be remembered by her Lowell friends as Miss Anna Murray.

A PRESENT THAT LASTS

A practical present for a man is a safety razor. They last a lifetime and are of use every day or nearly so. Everyone we sell we guarantee. From $1.00 to $7.50, the latter being a combination case. We have the Gem, Gem Junior, Gillette in a dozen different styles, including the famous Vest Pocket Edition, the Auto-Strop, the razor that strops itself and the Ever Ready. Toilet water, shaving soaps and sticks, lather brushes, including a large line of Rubbersets, Strops, extra blades, stropping machines and everything for the shaver in abundance. Howard, the Druggist, 197 Central street. (One dose relieves the worst cough—Pine Balm.)

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These Interesting Items For Saturday Traders

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In the Daylight Basement

Sultana Raisins, a lb. 15c
Fresh Red Raspberries, a can 18c
Rainbow Sardines, a can 15c, 20c, 25c and 40c
Lutz & Schramm's Pure Jellies, each 10c
Heinz's Mine Meat, a lb. 18c
Good Raisins, a lb. 10c
Van Camp's Milk, a can, 5c and 10c
Snider's Oyster Cocktail Sauce, a can 17c and 25c
Hecker's Cream Farina, 12½c each, 2 for 25c
Olives, plain and stuffed, a pint 20c

Combination Offer

Best Tomatoes, one can .....
Finest Corn, one can .....
Superior Peas, one can .....
All For 25c

Frou Frou—The new Swiss cookie, the daintiest cookie ever made, per pound 58c

High qualities Teas and Coffees are always carried at the very lowest prices.

Don't Forget to Notice These Articles On the Third Floor.

$2.25 FOR WAKEFIELD WORK BASKETS

A celebrated make at a low price, constructed of selected reeds, two compartments with cover to upper one. Colors, green, natural and brown.

Waste Baskets—Neat idea with mission wood frames, covered with fancy silkalines, selling at 49c

Smokers' Stands—Of mission wood, stands twenty-two inches high with removable brass ash tray, match scratcher, brass match box holder, brass receiver for lighted cigars, at $1.95

Clothes Poles—Finished in antique and weathered oak, fitted with wood pins, selling at 97c

$2.95 CHILD'S DESK AND CHAIR

Any boy or girl would be pleased with a nice desk in mission or golden oak finish. All solid oak, stands 28 inches high. The price is low.

Children's Rockers—In golden oak ..... 69c to $1.49
Rattan Rockers for children ..... $1.00 to $3.98

FOURTH FLOOR

CHRISTMAS HINTS

The Holiday Gift Problem is Solved With a

Bissell's Carpet Sweeper

Makes a useful, appropriate and pleasing present for Christmas, and will be a constant reminder of the giver for ten years or more. Prices ..... $2.25, $2.50 and $3.00

Shirt Waist Boxes

We show an excellent line of these very useful articles at different prices. Always desirable for presents.

Green Burlap Covered Boxes—Come in three sizes, at $1.57, $1.97 and $2.47

Matting Covered Boxes—Three different sizes, at $1.87, $2.75 and $3.25

Axminster and Wilton Rugs—Size 27x54 inches. Priced $1.95

Our Mammoth Third Floor TOY DEPARTMENT

Here you will find everything to please the child in the toy line. The variety greater and better than ever. We only carry those toys which are serviceable and durable. Our low prices will please the parents as much as the toys themselves, will please the children.

Partial List Of Toys:

FRENCH DOLLS	MECHANICAL TOYS
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DOLLS' BEDS	BOYS' SLEDS
DOLL CARRIAGES	ROCKING HORSES
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TOY PIANOS	DUTCH TOYS

Swift running elevators to every floor. Two easy stair cases to each floor.

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IT SAVES TO PAY CASH

COLONIAL BLDG., MERRIMACK AND CENTRAL STS.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

At the opera house last night Miss Hattie Williams appeared with a large company in the comedy "Detective Sparkes." There was a fair sized audience and the play which like most others is not without its defects, was very well presented. Miss Williams, however, has appeared to better advantage in other productions on the local stage. The comedy deals with a supposed elopement in an airship so that it has at least the merit of being up to date if not ahead of its time. If it were a little more lively and less burdened with unnecessary detail, it might be more of a success. Miss Williams assumed the role of Athol Forbes and made the most of it. She was supported by Edwin Nicander as "Alick Forbes," Julian Royce as Fred Coleridge, Anne Meredith with about a dozen other members of the cast all doing justice to their respective roles. The cast was as follows:

Lord Axminster .....Frank Burbeck
Fred Coleridge .....Julian Royce
Alick Forbes .....Edwin Nicander
Mr. Smeathe .....Percival Aylmer
Colonel Morley .....Frank Shannon
Inspector Boroughs ....Herbert Budd
Gordon Westwood ....F. Owen Baxter
Mr. Fales .....Kenneth Hill
Doctor Fry .....Harry Barfoot
Harding .....L. C. Howard
Baines .....James Lounsbery
John .....Aubrey Lowell
Henry .....C. W. Lewis
Manager of hotel .....Wm. Postance
Ferrol .....E. J. Norris
Dobbins .....W. J. Burns
Policeman .....H. Burrows
Hotel clerk .....Fred Chipman
Hotel porter .....W. Lippinsott
Hilda, Lady Axminster..Anne Meredith
Nellie Fenwick .....Vira Stowe
Mary Coleridge ....Vida Croly Sidney
Maid .....Mary Manly
Athol Forbes .....Hattie Williams

"THE YOUNG TURK"

When Maude Raymond finished bowing in response to the applause which followed her spirited ragtime rendition of "I Thought I Wanted Opera, But I've Changed My Mind," at the Colonial theatre, Boston, last week, she came off the stage convulsed with laughter. Max Rogers, star of the piece, "The Young Turk" asked her what was up.

"There's a woman out in the audience that is more fun than I've had for a month of Sundays!" she exclaimed between her laughs. "I've had my eye on her all through the performance, and while everybody around her was roaring at the play, she sat there, with a face like a death mask. She looked as sour as the lemonest lemon.

MAUDE RAYMOND,
In "The Young Turk."

"I played right at her, and made up my mind that I'd get a laugh oput of her somehow. I almost laughed right in her face, she looked so bored and gloomy and tired of life.

"'Here's a job for your talent,' I said, "and it was, sure enough. She didn't move an eyelash all through two whole acts, while all the others out there were enjoying the show like sensible. 'Wait till the ragtime opera song,' I said to myself, 'and I'll get that woman started or bust.'

"Well, sir, I sang that song like a limited express train, and I busted out as I never busted out before. That stern face just started as though it was on a tombstone, and I thought I had fallen down on the job, when, all of a sudden, one corner of that woman's mouth went down ever so little, and the sickliest smile I ever saw broke over
broke the monotony of her face, and then beat it, as if apologizing for being present at all. I think I ought to have a medal!"

Miss Raymond considers ragtime, for which she is so famous, the hardest kind of work on the stage, and thinks that compared with it "straight" acting is a summer day's dream.

YIDDISH PLAYERS

At the Opera House tomorrow night the David Kessler Thalia theatre company of New York with Mme. Regina Prager, the greatest Yiddish prima donna, Mr. K. Juveller, the best Yiddish tenor and the clever soubrette, Mme. Clara Young and Mr. Fishkind and others will hold the boards.

One of the best Yiddish performances ever given here will be seen.

PHIL OTT'S COMEDIANS.

The Christmas Day attraction at the Opera House will be Phil Ott's comedians in the merry musical comedy, "The Man and the Mummy," an excellent musical farce interpreted by a clever coterie of comedians, singers, dancers and handsome show girls. A popular scale of prices will prevail for the engagement and seats for both afternoon and evening will go on sale at the box office Monday morning.

HATHAWAY THEATRE

"Love's Young Dream," a charming little comedy, with Emil Hoch in the leading role, is the headline feature at Hathaway's theatre, this week. The sketch holds real wit, excellent situations and an undying love interest. Assisting Mr. Hoch in his act are Antoinette Smart, a good looking, competent actress, and Harlan P. Briggs.

"The Eagle and the Girl" is the title of the novelty recently imported from Paris and which is bound to prove a source of much conjecture to audiences. Not even the stage hands of the theatre know how the novelty is worked. Winfield Douglas and the gingery Musgrove sisters enliven matters with smart singing and dancing. James Brockman is a character impersonator of versatility. Clifford & Burke let loose a flood of rare antics, and Lane & O'Donnell, called the "lunatic tumblers," close the show well. The Hall brothers are athletes of wonderful development. The Hathascope holds good new films.

Performances will be given every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week, with special seats at the matinees for women.

THEATRE VOYONS

Today's program at the Theatre Voyons is rated by good judges as the best of many months, in fact some say it is the best bill that has ever been offered in Lowell. "The House of Cards" is a western story picture, introducing a plot that is not only new but is really a good one, and one that has been used in part for several notable dramatic productions. "La Grande Bretche" is the best film d'art ever seen, and "Exploits of a Cowboy" is a fine picture of a very clever American. "Willy Boy Gets His" is a roaring comedy, full of laughs and funny situations. The songs, one a solo by Jack Manchester, and the other a duet by James and Lillian Bales are all that is needed to round out a very fine performance.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

The feature act at the Academy of Music this week is "Adam and Eve, the almost human chimpanzees who created such a furore in Boston last year. They act and drink, sit at the table, use their napkins, smoke cigarettes, drink from glasses, and in fact do everything but talk. Miss Mae Maxfield offers a very dainty singing and dancing specialty. In addition to this splendid offering there is one of the moving pictures that is attracting much attention; it is "Jenks the Grouch," and shows one of Lowell's favorites, Al McGovern, in a comedy role. The feature biograph picture is "A Corner in Wheat."

STAR THEATRE

The pictures were changed at the Star theatre today for the third time this week, while two new vaudeville acts were presented Thursday. Singing, talking, dancing and trombone playing are combined in Dotson and Lucas' big double act. Paul Poole, comedy magician, is entertaining. The show is always refined and entertaining; the vaudeville clean and the pictures without gruesome features. The admission of five cents allows a seat.

SHOE MEN DINED

OFFICIALS OF LOCAL SHOPS AT NEW AMERICAN

An enjoyable banquet was held at the New American house last night under the auspices of the superintendents and foremen of various shoe manufacturing concerns. An excellent dinner was served, after which there was speechmaking. Daniel W. Shanahan of the Federal Shoe Co., acting as toastmaster. Remarks were made by Mr. Bean of the Stover & Bean Co.; Mr. John Pilling and Mr. Fred Pilling of Pilling Shoe Co.; Mr. E. W. C. Honen of the Lowell Shoe Co.; Mr. Couture of the Federal Shoe Co., songs by Mr. Frank Deignan, Mr. Thomas Fitzpatrick, Mr. Frank Thomas; a duet by Pilling brothers of Pilling Shoe Co.; a song by Mr. D. W. Shanahan, superintendent Federal Shoe company, and a song by Mr. Frank Thomas helped to entertain the company.

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HALL RACKS $5.00 to $20.00	Kitchen Cabinets $18.00 to $28.00	COSTUMERS 75c to $20.00	DINNER SETS $8.50 to $25.00
Magazine Racks $4.00 to $6.50	Work or Sewing Baskets $2.25 to $4.75	HASSOCKS 50c to $2.00	Parlor and Library Tables $3.00 to $30.00
COUCHES $9.00 to $55.00	BOOKCASES $5.00 to $35.00	TABOURETS 65c to $8.00	CHINA CLOSETS $17.50 to $54.00
FOOTRESTS 75c to $4.50	MORRIS CHAIRS $7.00 to $32.00	CARD TABLES $1.50 to $3.00	VASES 25c to $5.00

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DOLL CARRIAGES HOOD TOP $3.00 to $5.75	DESKS $2.00 to $7.00	HIGH CHAIRS AND ROCKERS 75c to $5.50	FUR ROBES For Carriages or Go-Carts $2.50 to $6.50

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Lowell, Friday, December 17, 1909.

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All the newest shades and weights for all seasons in the best makes, in cotton, wool or silk. All neatly boxed, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00

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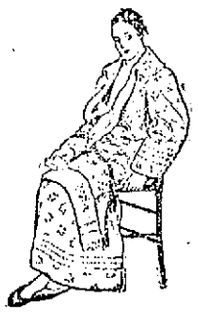

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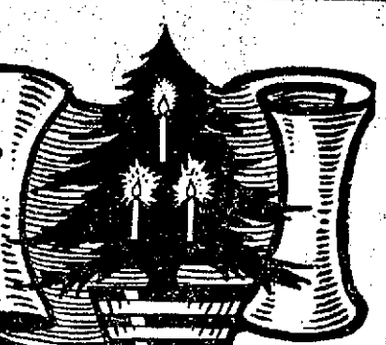

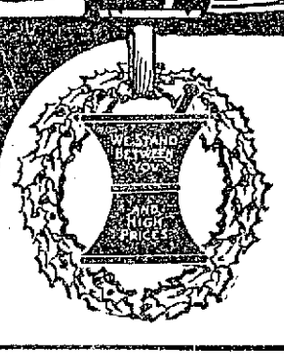

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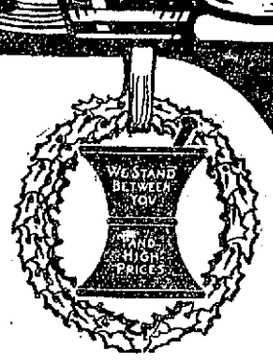

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For a Two-dollar Pair. Rosewood backs, pure bristle.

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With an EIDER DOWN COVER. Makes a sensible gift for your mother or wife—
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Full line of—
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All the standard makes in Fancy Boxes,
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150 REXALL DESK CLOCKS GUARANTEED, $1.23.

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A 15c TOOTH BRUSH WITH EACH 25c CAN REXALL PEARL TOOTH POWD'R For 17c

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Made from Pure Sugar
The kind you can safely give the children.
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A Full Pound Box of Chocolate Candy Worth Forty Cents—
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YOUNG MAN MISSING

Said to Have Spent a Fortune on a Woman

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—After squandering a fortune on a woman, buying her a fine residence and automobiles, lavishing his devotion on her and renouncing all hope of a bright future, John Bross Lloyd, youngest son of the late Henry D. Lloyd, and grandson of the late William Bross, who was a millionaire and once lieutenant governor of Illinois, has disappeared and his whereabouts is unknown to his relatives in Chicago.

This was revealed by William Bross Lloyd, attorney and the eldest of the Lloyd brothers, in testifying yesterday in the municipal court in the hearing of the suit of ex-Judge Hiram T. Gilbert against the Lloyd estate for the recovery of fees alleged to be due for effecting a settlement of the property.

A Mrs. McGraw of Boston was the woman named in the case. She was said to have carried on flirtations with many students at Yale and Harvard universities.

Mr. Lloyd first said that he found his young brother was not qualified to handle his share of the family estate. He admitted having introduced his brother, then only 20 years old, to Mrs. McGraw, whose morals he declared were not what "they should have been."

Next he testified that he had turned over to young Lloyd between $30,000 and $40,000 of his mother's estate as a test of the young man's inclinations.

After that he started proceedings for the distribution of the entire estate without letting the youngest brother obtain his share.

Mr. Lloyd further testified that members of the family had said the youth once lived with Mrs. McGraw, but they had no idea where he is now. Mrs. McGraw, however, was at the home given her by young Lloyd in a small town near Boston, Mass.

Young Lloyd has not been seen or heard from by Chicago friends since 1907, having left Harvard university in his sophomore year and disappeared.

Judge Gilbert was engaged by William Bross Lloyd to settle the estate. He alleges that he was to receive $50,000 for his services, but received only $10,000. He is suing Dr. Henry D. Lloyd and Demarest Lloyd of Boston and William Bross Lloyd of Chicago for the remaining $40,000.

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CHRISTMAS SALE

AND ENTERTAINMENT IN PAWTUCKET CONG. CHURCH

The vestry of the Pawtucket Congregational church was the scene last evening, of a Christmas sale and entertainment given in aid of the Sunday school. Mrs. Mabel Gregg had general charge and she was assisted by Miss Florence Milner and Mr. George Tanner.

The evening's entertainment consisted of a four-scene pantomime entitled "Christmas Eve," and those who took part in it were: Charles Richardson, Miss Florence Milner, Master Joe Coburn and Dorman McKinley. The other numbers were: Selection by the orchestra; duet, Miss Catherine Hickey and Miss Etta Legare, with Miss Elizabeth Muningham, accompanist; reading, Rudolph Vaigneault; whistling solo, William Carr; selection by the orchestra.

The tables, prettily decorated and located about the vestry, were presided over by the following: Fish pond, Miss Florence Putnam, chairman; Miss May Ella Axon, Miss Carrie Emery, Miss Elizabeth Hartman and Miss Helen Bellamy; candy table, Miss Ethel Rivet, chairman; Miss Helen Rivet and Miss Florence Milner; fancy table, Miss Ethel Trevors, chairman; Miss Grace Mansfield, Miss Florence Sturtevant, Miss Ida Cummings and Miss Lavina Axon; post card table, Miss Ina McKinley and Miss Julia Richardson; ice cream, Mrs. Mabel Gregg, chairman, Misses Lora Bellamy, Martha Kerr, Agnes Hall, Sadie Kenworthy, Helen Chadwick, Edith Cameron and Elizabeth Barrie.

GRANITEVILLE

St. Catherine's Temperance society elected officers Wednesday as follows: President, A. R. Wall; financial secretary, R. J. Hemen; recording secretary, William L. Wall; trustees, Edward Riney, Henry LeDuc, Omer LeDuc; doorkeeper, Raymond Charlton. This society is now getting along finely, the membership is gradually increasing and the entertainment committee is planning some pleasing social events to be presented after the Christmas holidays.

DELIGHTFUL SOIREE

IN AID OF ST. LOUIS' PARISH WAS HELD LAST NIGHT

The members of St. Louis' choir held an entertainment at St. Louis' school last evening in aid of the parish and about 200 were present.

The first part of the evening was devoted to whist, at which Mrs. Godfroy Caron, Miss Caron, Miss Savard and Miss Hebert won the first prizes, with a score of 10 points. The young women members of the choir scored. After the whist a most delightful entertainment was provided by David Houde who gave several of his inimitable monologs, and was also the chief feature in a little comedy which brought down the house. The other actors in the playlet, which was entitled "Les Martin-Pecheurs," were J. R. Monette, Fred Bousquet and Omer Ducharme.

Change of Chaplains

Rev. Fr. Wattelle, O. M. I., the new superior of St. Joseph's parish, will be the chaplain of Court St. Antoine, C. O. F., a post also filed by the late superior, Rev. Fr. Campeau, O. M. I. At the court's regular assembly, Wednesday night, he was present and addressed the members. Rev. Dr. Emery, O. M. I., also a new attache of the parish, and Rev. Fr. Ouellette, O. M. I., came to the meeting with Rev. Fr. Wattelle and also addressed the members.

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This is by far the largest average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

NOW FOR A NEW CITY CHARTER

Mayor-elect Meehan after entering office will have to distinguish himself by superior service in the city's interest and we believe there is no way in which he can do this more effectively than by getting all classes of our citizens united in favor of some form of charter to be submitted to the legislature for enactment so that it can be passed upon by the voters at the state election next fall.

The need of a new city charter is so urgent that the matter should be pushed ahead as quickly as possible. Our experience of last year demonstrated the fact that the greatest obstacle to securing a new charter is the difficulty of having our people united upon any fixed form or outline before going to the legislature. To secure this very desirable object steps should be taken at an early day. The charter drafted last year seemed to be a very good one, but there were many objections. It would be impossible to draft any charter that would please all. If it pleases the majority and has the great essentials of the modern charter, then it should be endorsed by the city council and sent to the legislature for enactment.

The great tendency in the charters adopted by progressive cities within the past few years is to simplicity of form, systematization of business methods, decrease in the membership of municipal boards, the centralization of power and responsibility in one executive head or else in one small governing board. With these principles agreed upon to begin with, it would seem that the details might be worked out to the satisfaction of all classes of citizens.

The "recall" that at first might seem a source of protection against election blunders in some cases has been turned into a political nuisance by defeated candidates in their attempt to overthrow the will of the majority. To avoid that extreme, this provision, if adopted, should be surrounded with conditions that will always make it a difficult matter to overturn the result of an election by the people, and will also discourage bitter recall contests against the popular verdict by defeated candidates. Respect for majority rule should be an embodiment of every city charter.

Mayor-elect Meehan has had valuable experience in the legislature relative to city charters and he will be able to wield a considerable influence with that body in securing for the city of Lowell the kind of charter that is suited to her needs, one calculated to simplify her government and promote her interests as one of the great municipalities of the state.

MAYOR-ELECT HOWARD OF SALEM

Mayor-elect Howard of Salem goes into office with a vast array of promises. He is to turn his salary over to the park department and to carry out a great many reforms. Mr. Howard has had a rather checkered career since he came to Salem, a little over a year ago. He has stirred up the city by charges of corruption that got him into jail for a while, but that did not stop him.

For the sake of Salem we hope he will "make good," but yet we venture to predict that the people of Salem will be disappointed at the end of the year. One of the reasons why we believe so is, that Howard has painted conditions much worse than they really are in order to stir up the people and attract attention to himself. He cannot reform abuses that do not exist and unless the people find radical changes for the better at the end of the year they are likely to repudiate Howard as a political "gold brick."

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

The bureau of statistics of the state of New Jersey issues a startling bulletin showing the increase in the cost of living, to be about 37 per cent. in the last 11 years. The bulletin has arrived at this conclusion through a study of the price of 50 articles chosen with a view to making the entire list as nearly as possible representative of the standard variety of table supplies used by families of average incomes. The increase in the cost of living in New Jersey is perhaps no greater than in the state of Massachusetts or other parts of this country. This is an element that must be considered in the economic problem of life as of equal importance with that of income. The rate of wages has not followed the cost of living upward to any great extent and this is what troubles the average family at the present time as it has done for the past two years. The question comes now is this increase in the cost of living to continue and if so will the rate of wages be increased so that the weekly earnings will in due time purchase the same amount of supplies as they did ten or eleven years ago?

SEEN AND HEARD

Work only becomes irksome when the task is uncongenial—pleasure is doing the work we like. No two men are alike—it follows that if each would do the work he liked the labor necessary would become a pleasure, all men would be happy and every man's capacity for serving himself and his fellows would grow and develop naturally.

Her husband in jail; herself and oldest daughter in consumption and no fuel in the house are the conditions that confront at least one woman in Lowell today, and it looks as if the Christmas season for her and her children would be a dismal one. There are three children in the family. The oldest is 12 and the youngest 8 years. Anybody desirous of assisting this poor woman and her children can obtain her name and address at The Sun office.

Lowell has ten ex-mayors living. This number includes William E. Badger, who by virtue of his position as chairman of the board of aldermen became acting mayor to fill the unexpired term of one who died in office, the late Charles A. R. Dimon. The others who live and who are as much interested in the city's affairs as in the days of yore are George F. Richardson, Charles A. Stott, George Runels, Edward J. Noyes, George W. Fifield, John J. Pickman, James B. Casey, Charles E. Howe and Frederick W. Farnham.

It was married men's night at the revival meeting.

"Let all you husbands who have troubles on your minds stand up!" shouted the emotional preacher, at the height of his spasm.

Instantly every man in the church rose to his feet except one.

"Ah!" exclaimed the preacher, peering out at this lone sitter, who occupied a chair near the door and apart from the others, "you are one in 1,000,000."

"It ain't that," piped back this one helplessly, as the rest of the congregation turned to gaze suspiciously at him. "I can't get up: I'm paralyzed!"

This story is told of a newspaperman in a nearby town, and it happened a long time ago. The reporter was a man addicted to the use of ardent liquors to a marked degree, yet with all that was well thought of in the community in which he labored. He came from a good family and traveled with the best people of the town. At one social function he attended, both as a newspaperman and a guest, he chanced to dance with one of the leading young ladies in the town. For convenience sake we will call her Elsie, although that was not her name. The reporter's name was not George, but that will do as well as any other, as he is now out of the business and might not like to have old sores reopened. He had taken a few drinks before going into the hall, and it was but natural that his fair partner should detect the aroma of the liquor.

As they were gliding gracefully over the floor the young lady said, "Georgie, I can smell whiskey." The young man thought a moment and then he replied, "Elsie, I can go you one better. I can taste it."

The death of Patrick F. Sheedy, the world's most noted gambler, was chronicled a few days ago and here is a bit of Sheedy's deathbed philosophy:

"I never talk about things I have done or tried to do for people. It's like pulling up a beautiful rosebush, all abloom, and examining the roots. If we have a chance to help, let's help and keep quiet about it.

"I've been a gambler. So are all men. Most business is a form of gambling. Think of Wall street. But gambling is no profession for any man. It is not even a profitable one, for it's the only one of which you can say, 'The higher you go, the lower you go.' The more you succeed the more you fail. The cleverer a man is, the more brilliant he becomes, the harder it is for a man to get on as a gambler. They get afraid of him.

"I'll tell what is the worst man I ever knew. It's a coward. Cowardice is the unforgivable sin."

He was a shrewd old farmer and he walked into the lawyer's office hesitantly. He stated the facts in his controversy with a neighbor and then he asked the lawyer whether or not the latter believed it would be profitable for him to carry his case into the courts. The lawyer promptly answered in the affirmative. "Then you think I have a good case?" the farmer inquired, still doubtfully. "Indeed I do," said the lawyer encouragingly. "I would advise you to bring suit." The farmer gazed out of the window for several minutes. Finally he asked: "And what would your fee be for the whole?" "Fifty dolars," the lawyer replied, as if he were speaking of cents instead of dollars. The farmer reached into his pocket, drew out a wallet that had seen much service, produced therefrom a bundle of bills and counted out $50. "There you are," he said. "Now you've got all you would get out of the case anyhow, so s'pose you tell me honestly just what you think my chances of winning the suit are."

As the open game season on deer draws to a close people in Skowhegan and vicinity, says a dispatch from that town realize that fewer deer and other game from the upper Maine woods and local woods have been shot this season than for many years past. Of hundreds of hunters who have gone into the woods after deer and moose this year and who have seldom failed before, only a few got a deer or any other game. There have been only two deer weighing more than 150 pounds brought into Skowhegan this season, those being shot by Sumner Ward and Blin Page. Mr. Ward shot a buck weighing about 225 pounds and Blin Page shot one near Jackman weighing a little over 200 pounds. One thing out of the ordinary is that there has not been a deer shot in the local woods here this season.

Old hunters of the town tell the writer that the smallest number of deer and other game shot this season is not due to a scarcity of the game, but to the deer going back from the railroads and camps. In the last year hundreds of camps and cottages have been built where before man had hardly been. The new extension of the Somerset railroad has been the means of driving the deer back from where they were a short time before in large numbers.

The hunters claim in affirmation of the above statement that the largest number of deer is found on the upper side of Moosehead lake near the Canada Line. Blin Page of Skowhegan, cashier of the First National bank, claims that he saw fifteen deer in that section in about one hour one afternoon this fall.

THE ASSAULT BY NIGHT

Brigadier Baby and Captain Bright
Are busily planning assaults by night;
They've planted their batteries under my chair,
And they march in the twilight softly there,
Tittering, twittering, laughing and bold,
With their arms of love and their curls of gold.

Brigadier Baby, in paper cap,
With strategy wins to the enemy's lap;
And here in the glow of the even light
Is camped by the hassock Captain Bright.
While over the carpet their phantom hosts
Come by like thousands of fairy ghosts.

It's Saturday evening, and I am "took,"
With my paper and pipe and my little book;
And they toss them away with a golden chatter,
As if little books were a little matter,
And pipes and papers were made for men
Who have not been captured by children again.

I guess if I'd listened and heard the drum
Of Captain Bright and his army come,
I might have skedaddled and now be free,
But Brigadier Baby is on my knee.
And the fairy music is in the room
Of the limitless legions of laughter-bloom.

Thank God for the Babe and the Brigadier,
And the Captain sweet, and I do not fear
The ranks they muster to capture me.
As they charge with their tinkling musketry
Over the hassock and on my lap
With the sword of tin and the paper cap!

PEOPLE OF NOTE

George W. Cable, whose charming humors of "Posson Jone and Pere Raphael" have just been published together, once wrote to a friend that when he enlisted in the Confederate army (October 9, 1863), "the enlisting officer said, 'You solemnly swear that you are 19 years old?' I said 'I do,' and he responded, 'You'd better say nine.' And he doesn't weigh many more pounds now than he did then.

It is interesting to note the position of Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch, daughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who because she married an Englishman is not an American citizen, and is now about to take out her naturalization papers,—for so the law requires. Mrs. Blatch is president of the New York equality league for self-supporting women, but she couldn't vote if there were a woman suffrage amendment. The first papers (the declaration) go all right, but whether the second can be given under the law is a question. For Mrs. Blatch is not a widow. Her attorney, Bertha Rembaugh, says: "This case has no precedent. According to the law, if a woman who was born in this country marries an alien who does not become naturalized, she may, if widowed or divorced, resume her United States citizenship by merely making a formal declaration of her desire in the matter. According to the law of nations, a woman is a citizen of her husband's country. There is no case on record where a married woman has made an attempt to transfer her citizenship."

Mrs. J. B. Dilrell, state president of the Texas Federated clubs, urges that the civic development of America be studied in the clubs. She thinks such a course, with the present impetus of the conservation of waterways and forests, would prove interesting to junior leagues.

An Italian Social democrat is bewailing his luck just now. He is a breeder of fowl in the country near Turin, and has for some time been in the habit of going and coming from that city without paying any duty on the fowl he carried in an ordinary market basket on his back. The other day when he reached the station he was disgusted to find that an imposing reception arranged for Signor Giolitti, the president of the council, was in progress. This so outraged all his socialistic feelings that he created a scene. On his return home he wrote to the authorities to protest against such absurd exhibition, and said that the behavior of the fawning crowd had been such that even the fowl in his basket had laughed at it. The next day he received a peremptory summons from the commissary of the station to present himself, which he did at once, hoping to achieve fame as a socialist leader and all prepared to lead his cause with another burst of eloquence. However, he was only desired by the officials to pay a fine for having escaped the vigilance of the customs while carrying a basket of fowl.

A Hungarian evangelical woman minister preached in Klausenburg the other day—the first of her kind. Budapest papers report that Frau Julia Vargha is a gifted woman, and that her preaching makes an impression. She is the daughter of the reformed evangelical bishop, Carl Sasz, poet and teacher.

The women readers of an evening paper have been voting on the ten most distinguished living women in France. The result of the 127,550 votes cast places Mme. Curie of radium fame at the head of the list with 9448 votes. Sarah Bernhardt comes next with 9286. Then Juliette Dodu, the telegraph heroine of the Franco-Prussian war, who died a few days before the poll closed, scores 8577. The remaining seven are the Duchess d'Uzes, Mme. Bonnefois, Gyp, the writer, Comtesse de Noailles, the poetess; Séverine, the journalist; Cecil Sorel, the actress, who says that a woman needs $20,000 a year to dress on, and Mme. Imbert, another heroine of the war.

BOXING GOSSIP

The Armory club has signed for next Tuesday, Frank Klauss, the "Pittsburg Cyclone," who recently boxed Bill Papke to box Porky Flynn in a 12-round contest. Klauss is the most promising middle-weight produced since Fitzsimmons. If he wins over Flynn, he will be matched to meet Jimmy Gardner. Flynn is anxious to redeem himself and is sure to make a great try for victory against the Smoky City lad.

There's nothing like knowing what you are writing about. A New York sporting paper suggests that Sir A. Conan Doyle be asked to referee the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight. This is a compliment in a way—a compliment to a good workman. In "Rodney Stone," written by Doyle, is a story of a fight in the ring which every boxer and every sporting follower who read it has proclaimed to be as exactly scientific as is a paper written by a great surgeon in describing some delicate and wonderful operation. There have been written stories of fights which indicated that the writer got his knowledge of the ring from seeing two dogs battling in the street. Doyle, however, showed he knew and had studied scientific ring work. It is a good plan to do your work well, and if you're going to write about prize fighting or anything else to study the subject first hand and be prepared to do a good turn with it. The fight in "Rodney Stone" is in its way a classic.—Brockton Enterprise.

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Women's Swell Coats, $5.00 to $35.00
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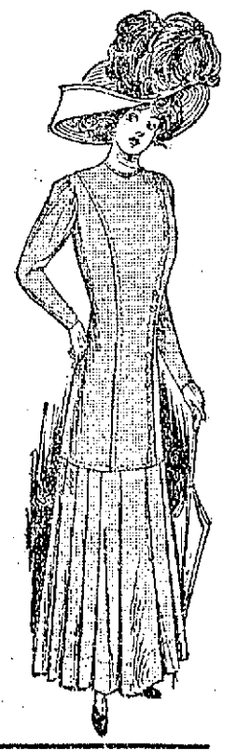

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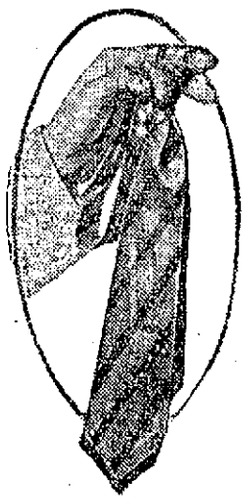

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Gray and Tan Mocha and Chamois, imported gloves $1.50
Perrin's Finest Chevrette Street Gloves $2.00
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Imported and domestic cape, kid, mocha and reindeer gloves, lined with plush, lamb's wool, squirrel, opossum and French coney—for $1.00, $1.50, $2.00 up to $5.00

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Plain or plaited fronts. The best fitting shirts in America—beautifully made, with cuffs or without, coat style ..... $1.00 to $2.00

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Opera, Romeo and Faust style, in tan or black, dongola or vici kid. All made with trimmed soles $1.00, $2.00

If size is wrong, change after Christmas.

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Hand turned soles, with patent leather bow ..... $1.35 and $1.50

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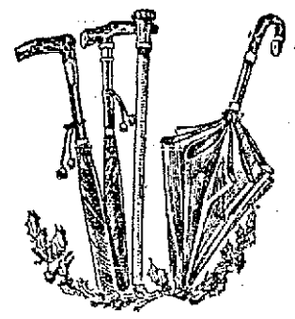
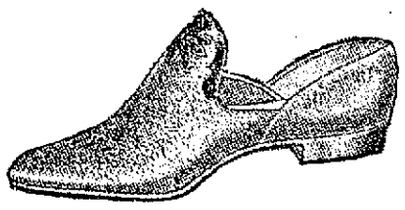
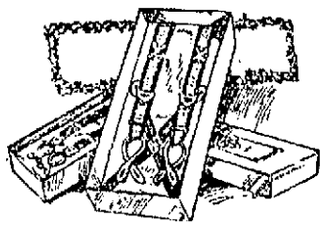
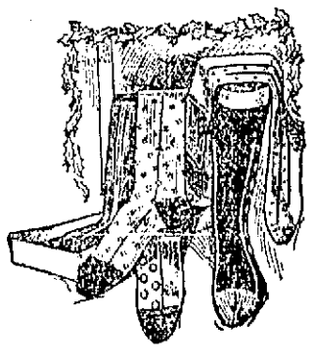


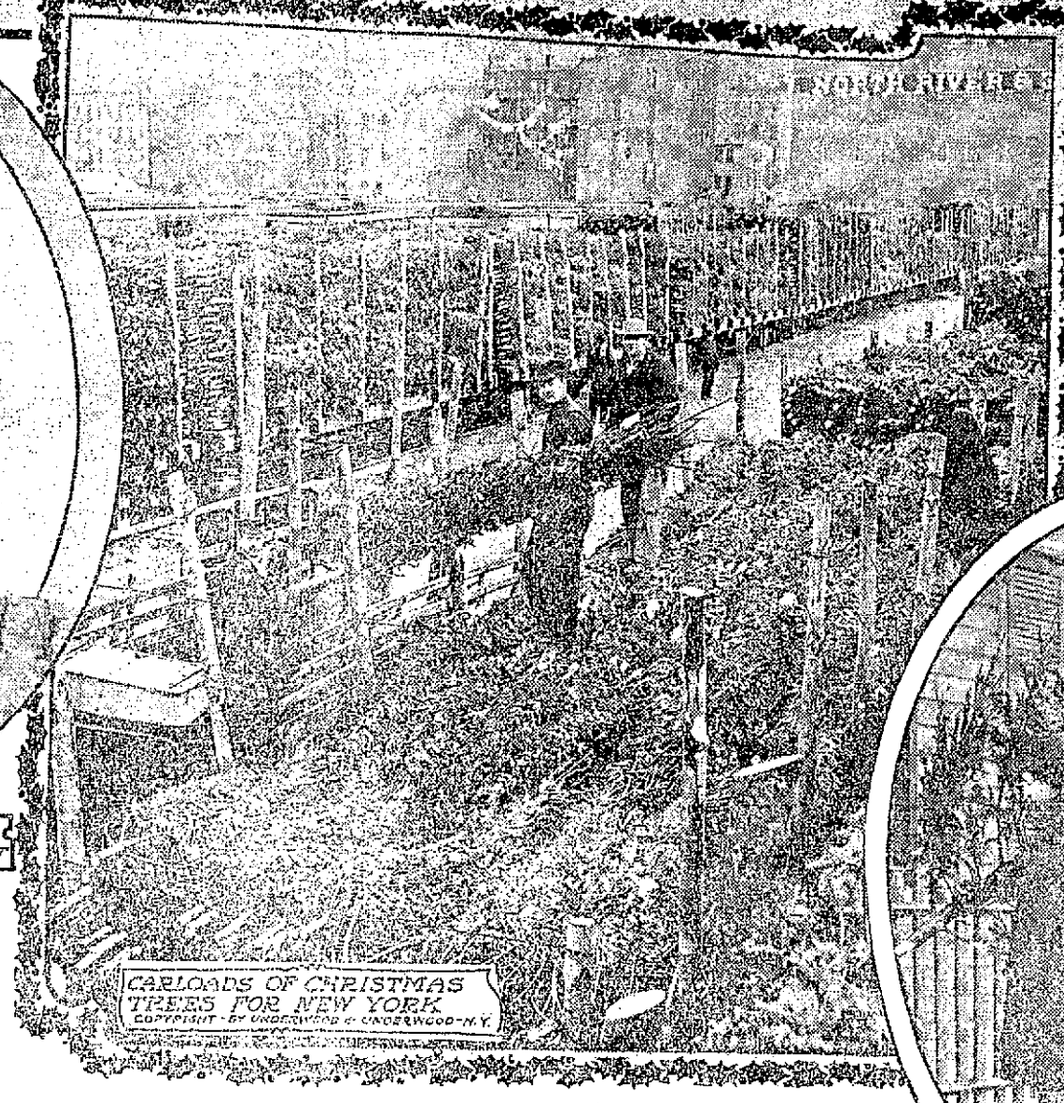






CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FROM A COMMERCIAL VIEWPOINT

CHRISTMAS TREES READY FOR SHIPMENT



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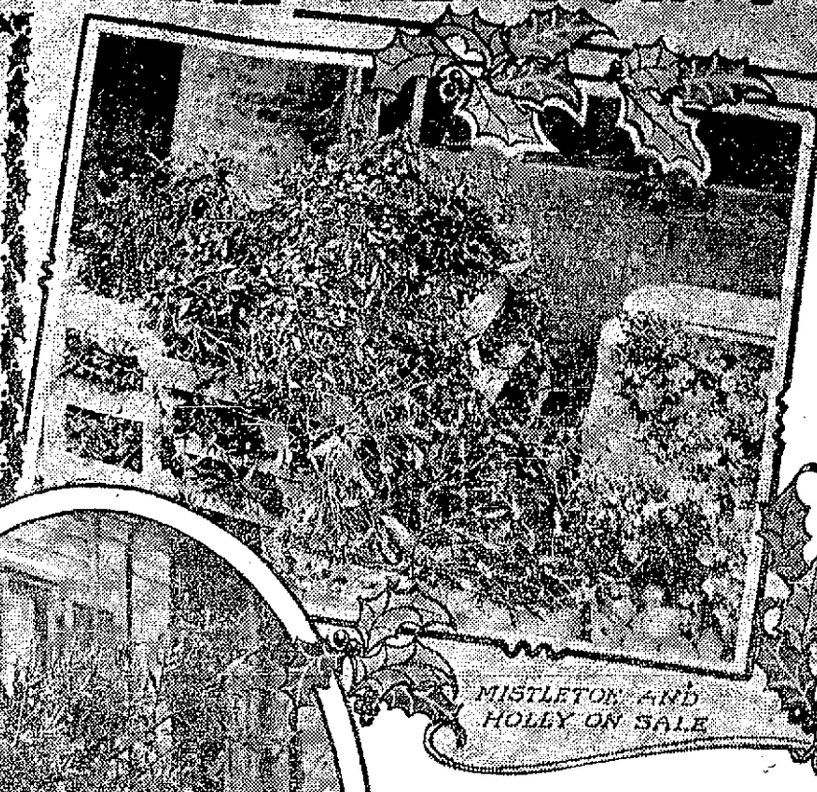

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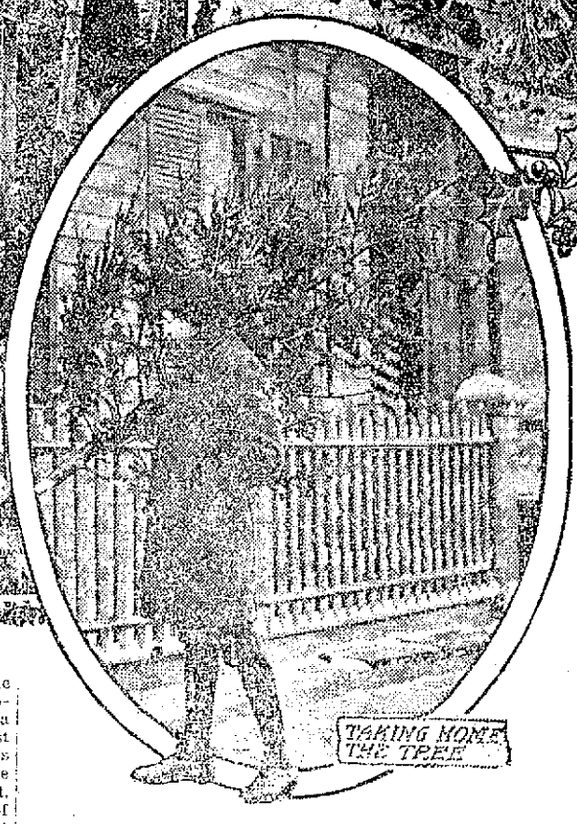


TAKING HOME THE TREE

LONG before Christmas gifts are on the counters and in the shop windows the preparatory part of the season of tradition and sentiment is being worked out in the forests which furnish the decorations for homes, churches and public places of the land and which give verdancy to the crowded streets.

Fifty years ago any one in a great city who wanted a Christmas tree would have walked a long distance before finding the desired article. A year ago it was roughly estimated that more than 5,000,000 Christmas trees were sold in the country. For obvious reasons New York receives and sells more of these trees and of holly and mistletoe than any city in the United States. For several weeks before the merry season sets in the streets in the lower end of Manhattan are filled with these holiday harbingers. They come by boats, mostly schooners, and by rail.

More than 75 per cent of these greens grow on the cold hillsides of eastern and northern Maine and on the mountains and in the forests of New Hampshire and Vermont. The harvesting and shipping to points along the Atlantic coast are conducted on an extensive scale. The work gives employment to many young farmers and timbermen at a season when money for the harvesters is not any too plentiful, for these same men who formerly hunted game in winter have been largely bereft of that source of revenue for several years.

To understand how the business has grown one need only remember that twenty-five years ago, when it began in Maine, no more than four schooners were employed to bring down the cut, and their cargoes contained less than 5,000 trees. Today there are not enough schooners to supply the demand along the coast as far as New York city. Scores of railroad trains also bring in trees from Pennsylvania, sections of the New England states that are not accessible to the coast and the interior of New York and New Jersey. While the big cities of the east are being supplied many cargoes are shipped to the middle western states. Holly and mistletoe constitute another branch of the business. They come from Maryland and Virginia, and some come from the far southwest.

Harvesting Christmas trees is not conducted in any haphazard sort of way. "Anything" will not do. The ideal tree must be intensely green, symmetrical, straight and graceful, and its limbs must be stout, so as to hold up the gifts they are designed to bear. Generally there is a large profit in harvesting these trees. If there is an average cut the cost of delivering to New York or Boston does not exceed 2 cents a tree. The price of the smallest tree in a big city seldom falls below 25 cents, and from that the price goes up to $5, according to the height and symmetry of the tree.

Another decoration for the season is the "ground pine." It grows deep in the pine woods and among resinous needles and broken limbs. It is a creeping, vine-like plant. Children of the country gather it in the fall, sort it, press it into boxes or sacks and send it to the cities. Out of this are made wreaths, festoons and streamers into any desired shape. These make up the decorations seen all over the land.

Tree Farm of the City.

The stranger in New York city a few weeks before Christmas would be warranted in the opinion that Christmas trees, holly and other green growths constituted the principal traffic of the metropolis. Almost anything—except a large tree—intended for decoration during the Yuletide is on sale on the sidewalks, the venders being men, women and children. But this is only a part of the stock. Over on the west side, not far from the docks, is what is called "the farm." This comprises the great open spaces along West street, that being the widest thoroughfare of the city. Here are grouped great stacks of Christmas trees and piles of wreaths. This is the wholesale market. In the center of intersecting streets are more Christmas goods of the same sort, but on less extensive lines. From these markets the retail dealer draws his supply, and from here large consignments are shipped to country towns. A year ago it was estimated that more than 200 carloads of trees and holly and mistletoe were delivered to the New York market. There are 2,000 trees to each carload. Make your own deduction. And don't forget that these trees came by rail. The cargoes by boat are to be added.

The best seller in the Christmas tree line is the balsam fir, because, possibly, of its aromatic fragrance. Firs and spruces for the holiday trade in New York city and vicinity come from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and the Adirondacks. In order to get them to market in time the woodcutters start the work of cutting, bunching and trimming early in October. In most cases the cuts are hauled long distances over country roads before they are shipped on trains. These trees range from six feet to twenty-five feet in height. Wholesale prices range from 75 cents a bunch (usually four trees make a bunch) up to $25 for a single tree that measures twenty-five feet. The wholesale trade of New York city is handled by only a few concerns. One has been in the business for more than thirty-five years. Orders for the great Christmas cut are often made while people are just finishing their vacations.

Similar Christmas markets are found before the season opens in Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington. Chicago draws on the pineries of Michigan for much of its stock in the way of Christmas trees and supplies a vast area in the west and northwest with greeneries that add to the merry season. Most of the trees delivered in Chicago arrive on lake schooners.

In Pennsylvania stalwart woodsmen work in gangs and are in the employ of a large shipper. The contractor pays the owner of the land at the rate of from $7 to $10 an acre, taking them as "they come." The trees are loaded on large hay and bark rigged wagons, hauled to the nearest railroad station by oxen and piled in stacks or rows near the tracks, from which they are loaded on lumber cars and shipped to the large cities.

Home of Holly.

The holly used in decorations comes from Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina in cases of from 75 to 100 pounds in weight, prices ranging from $1.50 to $5 per case, according to quality. Much of it comes in wreaths varying in size and quality. These wreaths sell for from $6 to $12 per hundred. The prices are those of last year, and they will probably not vary much this year. Imported mistletoe comes mostly from Normandy, though some is obtained in England. It sells for from $10 to $15 per case of seventy-five pounds. The home mistletoe, which comes from the same states that produce the holly, brings from $1 to $2 per barrel.

The extent of the Christmas tree industry, and the holly and mistletoe as well, in New York city will give an idea of the business throughout the country. A year ago the big city spent more than $2,000,000 for these Christmas goods. Of course all were not used in the city, but that was the amount expended for trees, holly and other Christmas greens. It was also estimated that between 5,000 and 6,000 people in the city were venders of the Yuletide decorations. The same year it was estimated that St. Louis, now fourth in population, spent more than $50,000 for the same sort of goods for the season of good will.

FRANK H. BROOKS.

Mme. Palladino, Psychic Puzzle

Italian Whose Seances In Europe Mystified Scientists Comes Here to Prove Her Weird Powers

NOW comes Eusapia Palladino—medium, woman of the weird—who considers herself a Neapolitan, although some of those from the boot shaped peninsula who know their Italy shake their heads about Naples as her cradle town, while admitting that she does come from the land of fine arts, sunny skies and spaghetti. She comes to America—the United States—as they all do, after contact with men of note on the other side. And United States folks flock, as they always do, to anybody or anything that has been talked about across the water. Let it be said to the credit of Americans that "flocking" does not always imply belief. Also, in behalf of the Palladino, let it be said that she puzzles; she makes motions, and things rise; they come and vamoose at her bidding, apparently, as she stretches her arms, all the while being under the scrutiny of scientific men, journalists and others who by their talk or writings spread the name of Palladino. Her seances in New York city have created a stir.

So also came, puzzled and benefited, Lulu Hurst, Annie Abbott, the Davenport brothers—remember the Davenports?—Warbington Irving Bishop, J. Randall Brown, James Louis Kellogg, May Pepper and others. All of these did things which caused the moderns to wonder as much as the Israelites probably wondered when Elisha caused the ax that a woodman had lost in the Jordan to come up and float on the surface.

The most recent spiritualistic arrival met, interested and to some extent associated with, in a business way at least, some noted people on the other side. It must be said for her that her meeting with these has not been recent. Some of them she knew and interested for twenty years. Among them were Lombroso, recently passed away, and Oliver Lodge, Crookes, Ferri, Sergi and others of a school that studied the occult and dived into the waters of mysticism. On this side she caused a professor at Harvard to pause. William James is the professor referred to. When he had investigated the psychic force of Mme. Palladino he said, "I admit that she resorts to fraud at times, but will fraud explain her phenomena?"

Professor James H. Hyslop, an author of note, although somewhat skeptical, wants the mystery explained. "The Palladino case ought to be investigated thoroughly," he says. "For both the scientific man and the public the history of Mesmer ought to be a warning," he adds, "and a lesson. He created the same excitement among the aristocracy of France that Eusapia Palladino is creating among the ignorant vulgar rich here."

Mme. Palladino, who is to tour the cities of this country—at least that is the program—is fifty-four years old. She has been twice married, but retains her maiden name. For that matter, both of her husbands adopted her maiden name.

At a seance given in London Palladino was subjected to the scrutiny of members of the English Society For Psychical Research. Every care was taken to trap the Italian sorceress in any trick to which she might resort. The word "trick," by the way, is not in the madame's vocabulary. Several seances were held in the committee's own room. One of those present was Hereward Carrington, an author and scientist of New York city, who devoted many years to the study of alleged spiritualistic phenomena. He has detected and exposed a number of fraudulent mediums. Mr. Carring returned home after the London seances and is quoted as saying that he is as much mystified at what he saw and heard as any of the foreign investigators. "Frequently during the seances," says Mr. Carrington, "we all experienced a sensation of cold, as though a cold breeze were issuing from the cabinet curtains and blowing over us. All who have had sittings with Eusapia are convinced that this cold breeze is not subjective in character, but that it is distinctly and provably objective. It is invariably noticed by all present at about the same time, and their descriptions all agree with one another as to its nature and as to the sensations they experience when it blows upon them. This breeze sometimes seems to become denser and more solid, as it were, until it assumes the impression of icy cold fingers."

Palladino reads and writes fairly well, if not up to the standard of the purist. She speaks the Neapolitan dialect readily. When she speaks Italian she frequently mixes Neapolitan in her sentences and is given to interspersing French and even English words.

In spite of the fact that her manners are not such as would fascinate one accustomed to cultured circles, she has been received in the refined and luxurious salons of Paris and London. Of her early life she prefers not to talk. Her birthplace was an obscure town; her family had associations with a brigand; her first marriage was unhappy, No. 1 insisting that as she was a money maker she should support him. But all these things she dismisses when they are hinted at. When they are suggested a cloud comes over her countenance. Her life, she says, has been a series of successes ever since she first found herself. She did not understand her powers at first. She was afraid of herself in the beginning. "But afterward," and when she speaks in this manner she becomes elated, "everybody was converted." She has been seen in all the capitals of Europe and was surprised to learn that she was so well known in America.

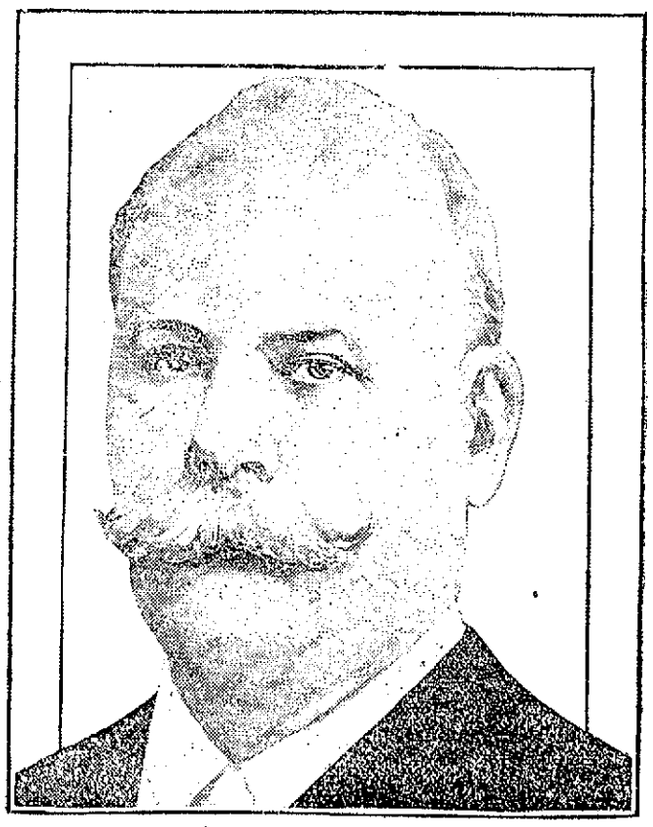
Her tastes are simple. She would rather sit down to a meal in an east side restaurant of her own people than dine at the most fashionable cafe. She is also simple in her dress. "Why care so much for money, dress, culture and accomplishments?" she asks. And then she adds, rather dramatically, "This life, after all, is not so important as most men consider it." Then her eyes grow glassy. The woman ends—the medium begins. She has been in the business thirty years. She is here to challenge Americans to disprove her powers.

JOHN KERSCHEVAL.

EUSAPIA PALLADINO, FAMOUS ITALIAN MEDIUM.

Zelaya, Ruler of Nicaragua

Born to Wealth, Educated, Ambitious and Merciless, He Has Become Mischief Maker of Central America



PRESIDENT ZELAYA OF NICARAGUA.

A DISTRACTED hornet in a rapidly revolving, steam heated kaleidoscope is not an altogether extravagant simile of the present condition of Jose Santos Zelaya, titular president and, it may be added, dictator of Nicaragua. Zelaya represents the militant insect. Nicaragua is the instrument containing the loose collections composed of Zelaya's supporters and the insurgents under General Juan J. Estrada.

If there ever was a time when Nicaragua was in a state of repose that promised to last a year, it must have been when Gil Gonzalez Davila discovered the big lake in that country in 1522 or when the strip was in some soporific condition. Away back in 1823 it revolted from Spain and was annexed to the Mexican empire under Iturbide. It has kept up the pace in one way or another ever since.

Zelaya's present troubles extend beyond the confines of his carbonated country. Diplomatically, if in no other way, he is responsible for the killing of two American citizens, Leroy Cannon and Leonard Groce. They were shot to death for participation in the present revolution of Nicaragua. What brought on this revolution is a matter that does not concern any citizen of the United States. The rumpus is between Zelaya and Estrada, the latter being the head of the party opposing Zelaya.

Zelaya has ruled in Nicaragua for sixteen years. The population of the republic is roughly estimated to be a half million. The statement has been printed that of this number 10,000 have been exiled at various times under Zelaya's administration. Long before Zelaya was elected president he was a fomenting factor in his country. When Charmora was president the republic was in a condition of quietude that disturbed the hot blooded and active young man who is the present ruler. Zelaya undertook to agitate the lethargic natives against the government. His time, however, had not come. He was sent into exile. He found his way to Guatemala and became an ardent supporter of the restless spirit who governed there, J. Rufino Barrios. He entered the service of Barrios. He learned lessons there which enabled him to carry out the policies that have characterized his rule up to the present time. Kindred spirits were Barrios and Zelaya.

A revolution in Nicaragua was inevitable. It came, and Zelaya returned. He headed the insurgents of that uprising, and finally the government was overthrown and Zelaya came to the top.

It is conceded even by his most inveterate enemies that he is courageous. He is the boldest leader who has so far appeared in the Latin American country, except, perhaps, Castro. And he is more ambitious than was the Venezuelan ruler. One of his dreams, according to those who have studied him, is to unite the five republics of Central America and become president of all. He is fifty-one years old.

Ever since Zelaya became president the soldiery of his country have had something to do other than chasing pigs and goats, which was their former exercise and amusement. Zelaya has been better equipped for his sort of rule than any Central American schemer or fighter. Up to the present trouble he has outpointed all opponents.

In spite of the comparatively small population of the country and the laziness of the natives, Zelaya, according to the most recent reports, is capable of putting up a strong fight. One report is that he can easily place in the field an army of 125,000 equipped with modern rifles and artillery. Not a great while ago there were shipped to him from New Orleans 75,000 Mauser rifles and 25,000,000 rounds of ammunition. Whether this shipment succeeded in running the blockade is not definitely known. With the ports of his own country blockaded by the insurgents and with the United States watching the situation, Zelaya is one of the most interesting figures that has come into the limelight for some time, and sooner or later he is one who will have to be dealt with.

S. VINTON RAMLY.

COST $1,000,000

The City of Haverhill May Buy Lighting Plant

HAVERHILL, Dec. 17.—Four orders providing for the purchase of the Haverhill Gas company and the Haverhill electric company were introduced at the meeting of the municipal council last evening and under the rules were tabled one week.

The council at an informal meeting last Monday declared for municipal control of the two lighting plants. Since then the officials of the two companies have protested against such action.

Mayor Moulton has notified the gas company that he will wait until next Thursday for a proposition for an 80-cent rate as authorized in 1889 by the state commission and unless that is granted, he will push the orders for the purchase of that plant. The mayor believes the electric company's plant would be a profitable investment and result in lower rates.

It is figured that municipal control of both plants would involve an outlay of at least $1,500,000. Mayor Moulton and Aldermen Harris and Bean are in favor of municipal control, while Aldermen Killam and Desmond are undecided.

A two-thirds vote is necessary for the passage of the orders and Mayor Moulton intends if the orders are passed next Thursday to have similar orders passed early next year and call a special election to submit the proposition to the voters.

At the meeting last night bond orders of $8000 for the purchase of three automobiles, two for the fire department and one for the street department and of $4000 for a public playground in ward 7 were passed.

TO SETTLE STRIKE

FITCHBURG, Dec. 17.—A settlement of a strike of 70 weavers at the Cornforth & Marx silk mills in West Fitchburg who demanded an advance of from 2 1-4 to 3 cents was expected today at a conference between the firm and a committee of employes. The weavers walked out on Wednesday and since then the mills which employ 170 operatives have been shut down.

DOG ORDINANCE

Has Been Adopted in Chicago

Out in Chicago a dog ordinance has been recommended for passage, and it's a pretty good ordinance. It contains the following clauses:

At the same time and place set for trial in any branch of the municipal court of the city of Chicago, for any cause referred to in this ordinance, if it shall appear that any dog has in any manner disturbed the quiet of any person or persons, or caused an abrasion of the skin, or attempted to bite or snap at any person or persons within the city, the owner or keeper shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than $200.

If said cause is tried before a jury and the jury assesses the damages of the city of Chicago, the court may stay execution or issuance of a mittimus upon motion of the city prosecutor, and continue the cause for a further day and order the defendant to have the dog shot by a police officer of the city of Chicago, within the time for which the case is continued.

If said cause is tried by the court, defendant waiving a jury trial, the same course will prevail as though tried before a jury.

Upon a satisfactory showing to the court that said dog has been shot, the court may in its discretion cause a nonsuit to be entered in said cause.

LABOR TROUBLE

To Be Submitted to Arbitration

BARRE, Vt., Dec. 17.—The Barre granite manufacturers' association, through its representative in the national association, has offered to leave the whole matter of the Northfield labor trouble to the national executives of the manufacturers and union to arbitrate under the "making for peace plan" adopted by manufacturers some four or five years ago.

The matter has been referred to the Northfield branch, and if that body accepts the suggestion the whole matter will go there for settlement. This refers to the Northfield situation only, but if the trouble is adjusted there the men at Barre and Montpelier will return to work. Contrary to general expectations the opening of the sheds of G. R. Bianchi & Co. at Montpelier yesterday did not set an example that was contagious. It was rumored here and in Montpelier this morning that several sheds were to open, but the Bianchi shed in Montpelier and the sheds of the Union granite company of Waterbury are the only ones doing business with anything but apprentices.

Woburn orchestra, Prescott, tonight.

GREAT ROBBERY

Goods Were Taken from Freight Cars

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—More than $100,000 worth of goods has been stolen recently from freight cars of the Michigan Central, the Pennsylvania and the Lehigh Valley railroads, according to detectives who appeared yesterday against four men charged with being partly responsible for the thefts.

Frank Miller, Morris Fabren and Joseph Keller were accused of breaking into a Michigan Central freight car at Peekskill, N. Y., and stealing 6000 cigars shipped from New York to Houghton, Wis. Charles Endres, a New York saloon proprietor, is charged with selling the stolen goods at his cafe.

The detectives, who were employed by the railroads to run down car thieves, did not enumerate the other robberies. The accused men were held for examination.

ORDER OF PROTECTION

The regular meeting of Elgin lodge, N. E. O. P., was held last night, the principal business of the meeting being the election of officers, dwhich resulted as follows:

Junior retired warden, Caleb L. Smith; warden, Mary E. Chapman; vice warden, Olin M. Haines; secretary, Hattie A. Burrows; financial secretary, A. Chrisabel Burrows; treasurer, Ella J. Bowen; chaplain, Emma F. Haines, guardian, Celia Mayers; sentinel, Cyrus H. Parsons; trustee for three years, Sarah J. Brooks; first representative to grand lodge, Hattie A. Burrows; first altrnate, Carrie E. Buxton; second representative, Cyrus W. Parsons; second alternate, Mabel E. Chapman; third representative, Anna T. True; third alternate, Caleb L. Smith.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL.

Lowell Nest, Order of Owls, will be instituted Sunday afternoon, Dec. 19th, at two o'clock, at Odd Fellows hall. This will be the last chance to go in as a charter member. The order has over 100,000 members and is growing rapidly. Nests are being formed all over the United States and foreign countries. It is destined to be one of the largest orders in the world. It furnishes sick, accident and funeral benefits, doctor and medicines at all times. It is a society of good fellows who believe in love, laughter and the kingdom of Heaven on earth. It teaches good cheer. It believes in helping its members in sickness and distress. The organizer will be at the hall Sunday morning from 10 to 12 to receive applications.

Tremont orchestra, Prescott, tonight.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Useful

XMAS GIFTS

54 Pocket Knives only, 50c to 85c kind 37c

Shears and Scissors—low prices.

$2.00 Bread Mixers, $1.75

Machinists' Hammers, 19 only, 85c kind 29c

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75c Hand Saw...49c

$3.50 Ash Cans, $2.39

$1 Razor Hones, 50c

75c Razor Strops, 35c

$1.00 Hack Saw Frames 65c

Carpenters' Aprons, 25c

Carborundum Stones 15c to $1.50

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16 Market Street

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12 SETS ONLY

$2.75 set $1.69

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Real Xmas Suggestions

There's not an article on this list but that will please far better than more expensive gifts and besides you're adding to the comfort of those you love best.

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Grover's Boot for tender feet.
Dolges Felt Romeos, Fur Trimmed.
Felt Slippers, warm as toast.
Beaver Leggins, for cold days.

FOR FATHER

Soft Hand Turned Slippers.
Three-Buckle Overshoes for stormy days
O'Sullivan's Arch Support Shoes. No more tired feet.
Rubber Boots. They come in handy.

FOR SISTER

Skating Boots. They'll please her.
Four-Buckle Overshoes. She'll appreciate your thoughtfulness.
Fur Trimmed Romeos. Pick out her favorite color.
Beaver Leggins, for cold days.

FOR BROTHER

Dress Shoes. We have his favorite style.
Three-Buckle Overshoes. He will need them this winter.
Kid Slippers, for nights when he is at home.
Skating Boots. They'll make him happy.

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OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

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An entire sample line from one of the largest importers of Decorative Linens in the country, at a discount of 1-3 from the regular prices.

Renaissance Doilies, 6 inch, 10c value..... 5c
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18x54, $1.00 value 79c
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Japanese Hand Drawn Pure Linen Scarfs and Squares

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24 inch Squares, 75c to 89c values.....50c and 62 1-2c
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SCARFS

18x27 inch, 75c value 50c
18x36 inch, $1.00 value 62 1-2c
18x45 inch, $1.25 value 79c
18x54 inch, $1.25 value 79c
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SAMPLES OF CLUNY DOILIES, SCARFS AND SQUARES FROM 17c TO $2.75, ALL 1-3 OFF REGULAR PRICES

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Free

118 Merrimack St. Up One Flight Over the White Store

No. 1 Store at 18 Prescott St. will also redeem this Coupon.

SHE IS NOT DEAD

Girl Shows Decree of Court to be Wrong

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17.—Miss Nellie Burns, missing 11 years, and three days ago declared legally dead by the St. Louis circuit court, proved yesterday that the court's decree was wrong. As a consequence the girl's foster mother, Mrs. Annie Bosse, resigned letters of administration granted her by the probate court and caused the dismissal of a suit in which she had already won a judgment against a life insurance company.

Mrs. Bosse and Miss Burns met yesterday for the first time since Oct. 18, 1898, when Miss Burns disappeared. She was only eight years old then, but Mrs. Bosse declared herself satisfied as to the identity of the young woman.

It was supposed Nellie has been kidnapped, but her story disproved this.

"I was on my way to school with a girl about my own age," said Miss Burns, "when two men, my father and my uncle, seized me and placed me in a buggy and drove to a house on Dayton street. Father told me this was to be my home and that I would never see Mother Bosse again.

"I grieved over the change for a time then like most children, forgot my troubles. A few years later we moved across the river to East St. Louis and when I became older I went to work in a department store."

The girl's father is Daniel Burns, an engineer. He and his wife were living apart when the latter died, directing that Nellie be given into the care of Mrs. Bosse.

Both Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Bosse had taken out insurance policies on the girl's life. These matured in 1905, but Mrs. Bosse waited until a few weeks ago before bringing suit. She won this case and the company appealed. Monday Judge Withrow of the circuit court sustained the finding of the lower tribunal that the girl was dead.

Accounts of the case appeared in the newspapers and thereupon Miss Burns' aunt telephoned to the company's attorneys the intelligence that her niece was alive. Affidavits to this effect were sworn to by her uncle and by Miss Burns herself.

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Yule Laughs to Make You Laugh

DISAPPOINTED.

"So Marie decided to withdraw from the field of literature."

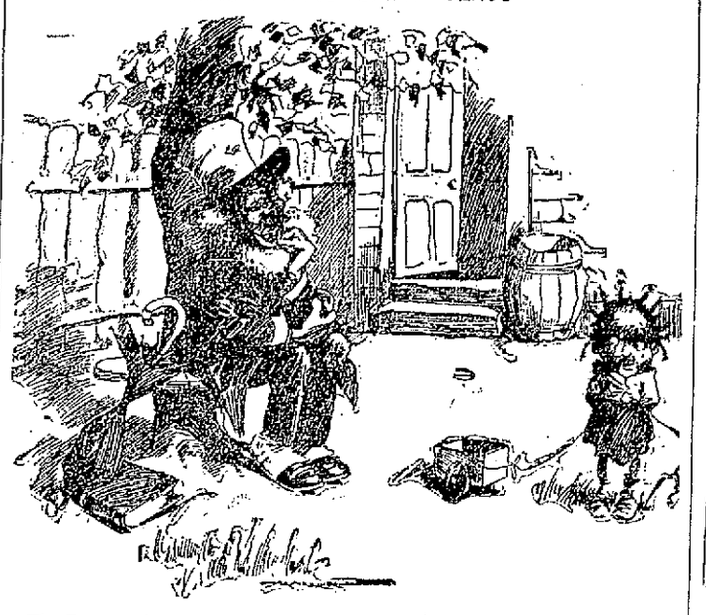
"Yes, indeed. After she found out the much talked of 'literary style' had nothing to do with gowns or hats she was disgusted."

A QUESTION.

"Your mother-in-law's condition is more favorable, sir."

"For herself or me?"

COLOR BLIND SANTA CLAUS.

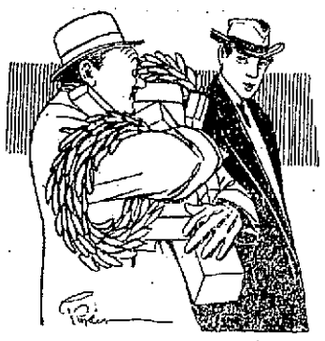


The Parson. "I heah Santa Claus done fotched yo' a new baby brudder."

The Kid: "Yaas, but it jes' seems lak he always picks out de blackes' babies for us."

IMPECUNIOUS.

As Christmas nears
How time does fly!
The days are short,
And so am I.



STILL SLAVING.

"Hello, Brang! Glad to see you getting ready for Christmas. Who are you working for nowadays?"

"Same wife."

HOW UNLUCKY!

Johnny—That's Mrs. Parkslope. She's looking very cross.

Tommy—So would any woman in her place.

Johnny—Why, how's that?

Tommy—Her husband won $5,000 at the races the other day and gave her the choice of a diamond necklace or a motor. She took a week to decide which she wanted most, and while she was thinking he went to the races again and lost the $5,000 and more.

MAKING A GIFT WORK.

Bad Boy Jinks: "What you bawlin' for now, Cry Baby Binks?"

Cry Baby Binks: "Mam's usin' my new jumpin' jack for an egg beater."

THE SADDEST OF ALL.

The Kid—An' to think that I bought pa that cane for a birthday present!

WOULDN'T TASTE IT.

Customer (to restaurant proprietor)—Now, frankly, what do you think of that egg?

Proprietor—Well, sir, it sounds all right.

SINGING A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS CAROL.

A PRUDENT PRECAUTION.

"I saw Miss Wrinkler at market today, but she was disguised."

"What for?"

"She was buying mistletoe and evidently didn't want the fact to get out."

TRIMMING.

"Are you going to help trim the Christmas tree?"

"No: this year we are all pooling our efforts in trimming father."

MR. MEERSCHAUM AND HIS CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

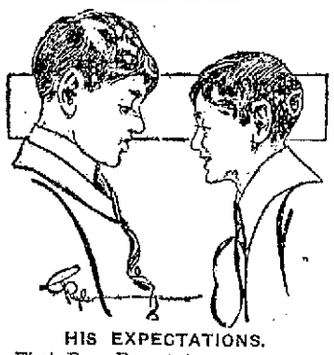
December 25.

March 25.

CHRISTMAS SYMPATHY.

Harold—I got a dreadful fall. All these Christmas bundles of yours—

Marion—Oh, Harold, did you fall on the bundles?



HIS EXPECTATIONS.

First Boy—Expect to get much for Christmas?

Second Boy—Yep, but I expect I won't get nothing like wot I expect.

A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS.

Never mind the chimney
When you come, oh, generous soul!
Just drop around the basement way
And leave a ton of coal.

AFRAID TO LOOK.

Bootblack—Shine your boots, sir?

Male Object—No!

Bootblack—Shine 'em so as yer can see your face in 'em, sir.

Male Object—No, I tell you!

Bootblack—Coward!

A Real Pessimist.

Squire — You can't grumble at the market for pigs just now. They're fetching a good price.

Old Tenant Farmer—Well, as far as that do go, I suppose they be, but think what a price they be to buy.

Stung!

Gertie — Do you know anything about flirting?

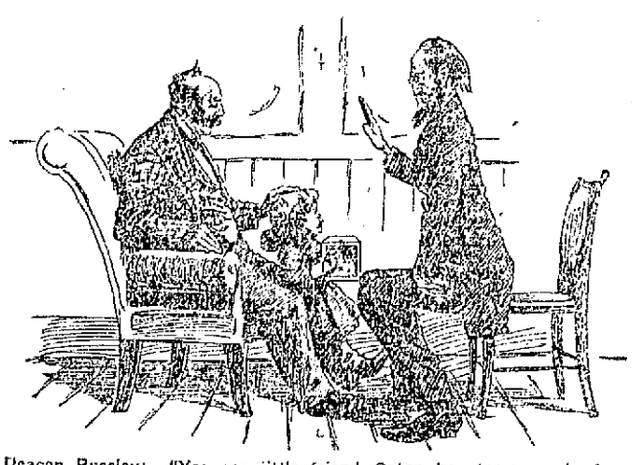
Gus (sadly) — No; I thought I did, but when I tried it the girl married me.

A Possible Cause.

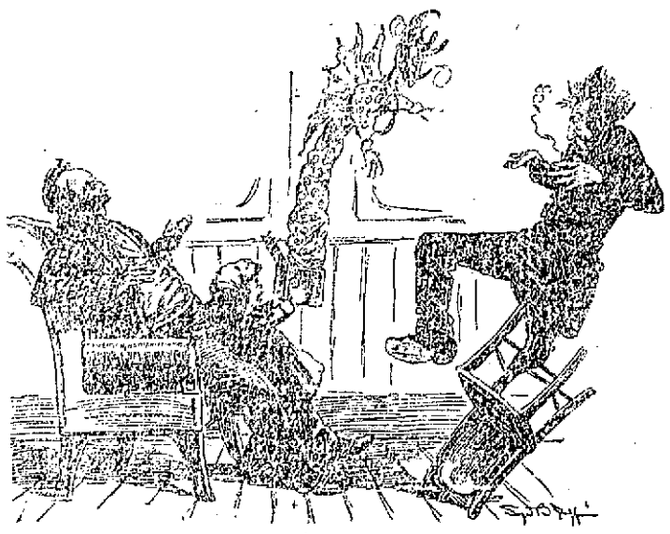
"We're going to have a cold winter."

"What do you expect when they go disturbing the north pole?"

A CHRISTMAS SURPRISE.



Deacon Pussley: "Yes, my little friend, Satan has terrors only for the wicked. A good boy or man need have no fear of"—



"The devil!"

Naturally.

Meeker — Just one year ago today I led my wife to the altar.

Bleeker — You did, eh?

Meeker — Yes, and then and there my leadership ended.

On the Contrary.

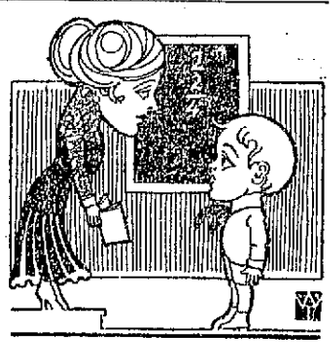
His Friend—Hello, old man. So you've taken it up too, have you?

The Inventor (owner of a flying machine that will not fly)—On the contrary!

His Wife's Value.

"The preacher that married you says you gave him only a dollar."

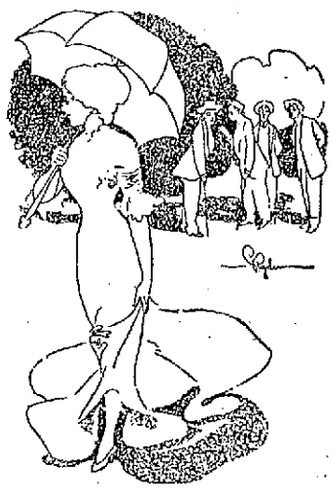
"He ought to be glad I didn't sue him for damages."



LIMITED BELIEF.

Teacher—Of course you believe in Santa Claus, don't you, Freddy?

Freddy—Yes, ma'am. I always do just before Christmas.



JUST DUDES.

Reggy—Deah boy, what did Miss Quick say about us chapples.

Cholly—Why, she said you reminded her so much of the autumn leaves.

Reggy—Ah, because we are so brilliant?

Cholly—No; because there are so many dead ones among you.

A CHRISTMAS HINT.

Jack—I took Bella skating last night and told her to cut the figure 8 on the ice.

Ruth—And did she?

Jack—No, but she cut the most perfect image of a solitaire engagement ring you ever saw in your life.

BOBBY PLAYS SANTA CLAUS

Papa: "So you want a quarter for a Christmas present for a poor boy, Bobby? All right, here it is."

Bobby (to the "poor boy"): "Here's the quarter I promised you if you would lick the kid who hit me yesterday. Go for him!"

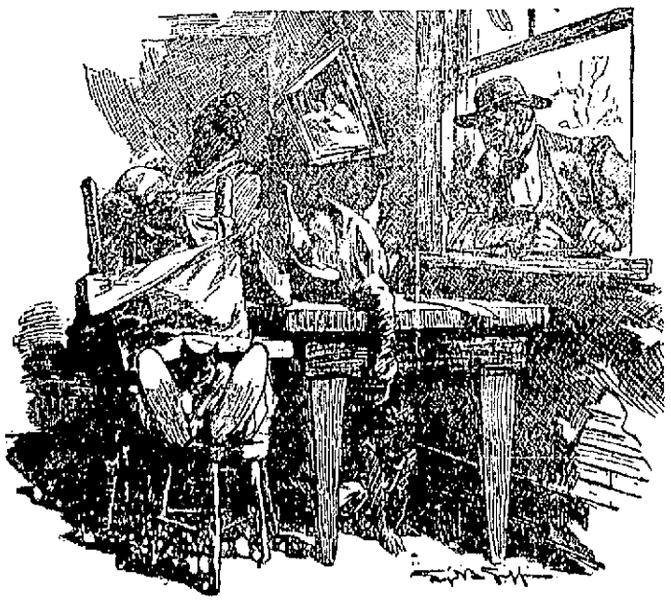
THEY CAME BACK.

"Scribs sent out ten poems entitled 'A Merry Christmas' or 'Happy New Year.'"

"How did he make out?"

"Oh, he got many returns."

WORKING OVERTIME.



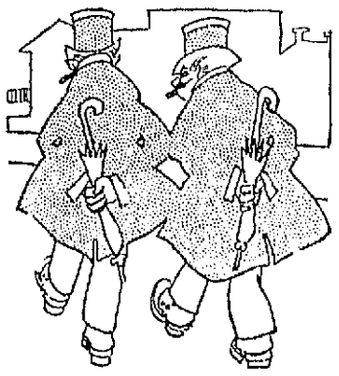
Colonel Gray: "Well, Uncle Jasper, I see you have your Christmas turkey. You must have been working right hard lately to be able to get such a fine fellow as that."

Uncle Jasper: "Yas, sah; right wuk mos'ly."

HE WAS IMMUNE.

"Did you find yourself embarrassed while in Europe by your lack of acquaintance with the French language?"

"No, indeed not. I think I suffered less embarrassment than the other folks. I couldn't tell half the time what they were blushing about."



RUTHLESS INTERROGATORS.

"I hate people who pry into personal affairs."

"With whom do you expect trouble, customs inspectors or census takers?"

DO AS A SUBSTITUTE.

The Assistant—Our tattooed man is sick.

Museum Manager—Well, we ought to be able to find a football player with enough black and blue spots on him to do as a substitute.

LIVELY CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Smiley: "Glitterin' angels! Fiddsey, what yer got dere?"

Fiddsey: "I'm deliverin' de Christmas presents what was bought at de animal shop."

DUST FROM STREETS

Is Said to be a Cause of Consumption

Some time ago the board of health sent a communication to the mayor, requesting that the streets in the centre of the city be thoroughly washed not less than once a week. Since then the streets have been washed a few times, but not sufficiently often to keep down the dust. When a strong wind blows great clouds of dust go up from the streets, choking and blinding everybody and everything in sight.

The annoyance of street dust, which is especially noticeable on improved pavements, such as Middlesex, Central, Merrimack and Bridge streets, is apparent to all. The injurious results from it have been the subject of more or less investigation during the past few years, and the bureau of labor has just issued a bulletin which deals with the mortality from consumption in certain occupations and includes among these those involving unusual exposure to municipal street dust.

Dust from Street

In the New York Medical Journal for 1904 it was stated that five years' work as a street cleaner in New York was said to make the average individual a consumptive, in spite of the fact that upon employment he was supposed to be free from this or any organic disease.

The action of street dust is further described by Dr. W. Gilman Thompson in the New York Medical Journal as follows:

"When thus automized and inhaled it acts injuriously upon all the sensitive mucous membranes of the respiratory passages, partly through mechanical irritation and trauma and partly by conveying to them and imbedding in their folds a great variety of germs. These germs are not necessarily those of specific diseases such as the pneumococcus or bacillus tuberculosis, for such germs are known to be killed by conditions of prolonged exposure to dryness and sunlight, whereas moisture proves favorable to their longevity. But sufficient non-specific germs are conveyed by street dust to excite catarrhal or purulent inflammations, and by thus fostering a chronically diseased or irritated condition of the respiratory passages, the latter are rendered liable to more serious infections. The pulmonary tissue thus irritated invites an invasion of the bacilli to which the street cleaner, in his unsanitary tenements and other unhygienic environments, is as much exposed as anybody else."

THE BROKAW CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Members of Mrs. Mary Brokaw's family came to her aid today in her legal contest for a separation from her wealthy husband, W. G. Brokaw, and distressing occurrences in the unhappy married life of the couple were detailed on the stand by sympathetic witnesses for the attractive plaintiff. Miss Eloide Blair, whose brilliant eyes are as captivating as her sister and whose wit is declared to be as keen, came to court with Mrs. Brokaw today. Her story was intended to supplement that which J. Billard Blair, the brother, told late yesterday when he described hysterical manifestations on his sister's part after she had been warned by Mr. Brokaw at table to cease looking at a certain man, and other unpleasant occurrences.

THE BATTLESHIP NEBRASKA

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The battleship Nebraska, according to information at the navy yard today, will not leave here until the early part of next week. Her destination is supposed to be Hampton Roads.

A report that the Nebraska has been ordered to Nicaragua could not be confirmed today. The battleship received sailing orders yesterday but her departure has been delayed by the necessity of reloading a quantity of ammunition which was received from the ship only a few hours before the receipt of sailing orders.

MRS. HORACE TAFT DEAD

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—The body of Mrs. Horace D. Taft of Watertown, Conn., who died at Johns Hopkins hospital here yesterday, left here on a New York train over the Pennsylvania railroad this morning, accompanied by Mr. Taft who is a brother of the president. Mrs. Taft came to the hospital here a short time ago for treatment. She began to improve following an operation and later went to Florida to recuperate. Shortly afterwards, however, a return of the ailment compelled her to return to the hospital.

DIVIDEND FOR EMPLOYES

FITCHBURG, Dec. 17.—Several hundred employes of Crocker, Burbank & Co.'s paper mills here will be given five per cent. of the wages earned through the year as a dividend. The announcement effects the men who have been employed by the firm two years or more. The dividends will vary from $25 to $60, according to the rate of wages paid.

FOUR PERSONS KILLED

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 17.—Four persons were killed and a number of others injured this morning when a Central of Georgia passenger train collided with a passenger train on the Macon and Birmingham road at Harris City, Ga.

TO MODIFY FOOTBALL RULES

OXFORD, Miss., Dec. 17.—Delegates to the annual meeting of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic association here last night practically agreed that an appeal would be made in the form of resolutions asking the rules committee to modify on many forms conditions governing football.

JUDGE FOUND DEAD

KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Supreme Court Justice George Fitts of Albany was found dead in bed at the Eagle hotel this morning. He had been presiding at the trial term here.

TEXTILE NOTES

What the Fraternities Are Doing.

Thursday afternoon the Alembic society, a society to promote high grade standing among the chemistry and dyeing students held the regular monthly meeting. Papers on the dyeing of leather were read by Messrs. Putnam, Stronach and Sleeper. The society has issued a circular which contains the program of the year. In the December meeting there will be read a thesis on the tanning and dyeing of leather. In the January meeting on the dyeing of ropes, straw, feathers and fur. In the February meeting on the early methods of dyeing, and duties of a mill chemist. In the March meeting the manufacture of ink, and the manufacture of color lakes and paints. The speakers and subject for the April meeting will be announced later. The last meeting will be held in May, at which time comes the fourth annual meeting and dinner. This society was organized Nov. 10, 1906.

All students to be eligible to this society must be regular day students of the chemistry and dyeing course.

A society was organized Wednesday among the students of the design course to be known as the Little Umps. The object of this society is to better the members on the study of design. The officers are: E. K. Hale, president; F. C. Nettel, vice president, and G. K. Ferrin, secretary treasurer.

Basketball

Saturday the basketball team lines up against the Boston college five. This team gave Textile a good game last year. The game Wednesday showed the weak places in the team and the rest of the week has been devoted to remedying these. The freshmen showed up well in the game as well and it is likely that a few of them may be tried out in the game on the first team. At the same time on Saturday the Freshmen will line up against Nashua High Alumni. This team is a very fast combination and promises to make the Freshmen travel fast if they wish to win. Several new features were introduced at the last game which were very successful and pleasing. One of these was the well organized cheering. It is quite a while since such good cheering and singing has been heard at any textile game. Its effect was shown by the way in which the team came back when the students began their cheering. Another new feature is the introduction of score cards, by which the students may follow the score and the baskets of the players.

The New York State club held a meeting recently and elected the following officers: John T. Brady, Jr., of Albany, president; J. Price Morris of Utica, vice president, and Samuel A. McCleary of Amsterdam, secretary treasurer. Mr. Hurtudo was elected an associate member.

A committee was appointed to arrange for a banquet.

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Friday evening the Delta Kappa Phi fraternity gave an informal social and dance at the Fraternity house. Dancing was enjoyed from eight until a little after ten o'clock at the Vesper Boat club, when the party went to the Fraternity house, where refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed. The chaperons were Miss Grace Cummock and Mrs. Arthur Ferguson.

Prescott hall to let Sat. evenings.

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FIVE GIRLS MISSING

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—At least five girls who were employed in the six-story building occupied by Schrack and Sherwood, manufacturers of undertakers' supplies, which was burned last night, are missing today and it is feared they lost their lives. One fireman, Joseph Toner, was killed while searching for the missing women.

A score of persons sustained burns and other minor injuries.

FIFTEEN MEN INJURED

SANDY HILL, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Fifteen men were injured today in a fire which destroyed the Delaware & Hudson Railway freight depot here. Several firemen and spectators were crushed under falling timbers but all except one are believed to have escaped fatal injuries. The loss is about $20,000.

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JAIL SENTENCE

Man Swore at Police Court Judge

BANGOR, Dec. 17.—Swearing at a police court judge and calling him names in Polish resulted in a sentence of six months in jail for contempt of court for Frank Miller, a Polish boarding house keeper, by Judge Harding of the police court yesterday.

A case was on trial in which a Pole accused another of passing a confederate $50 bill for genuine. The evidence placed the scene in the house of Frank Miller, where witnesses testified a poker game was in progress.

Miller had a suspended sentence over him. After the first trial, Judge Harding ordered Miller arraigned for keeping a gambling house and sentenced him to 60 days in jail.

As Miller was leaving the court room yesterday he paused in front of the judge, and pointing his hand to his honor launched out a tirade in Polish. The court interpreter, Max Cohen, translated the oratory into English, and the judge gave Miller six months additional in jail, making eight in all.

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WANTED TO BUY a double sleigh, covered Concord wagon and farm wagon. Must be in good second hand condition. A bargain for cash. C. F. Keyes, 10 Green st.

ALL PERSONS WANTED to buy their coal, coke, mill kindling, slab, hard wood and dry maple for fireplace. W. T. Grifin's, 137 Appleton st. Tel. 663.

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5-ROOM FLAT to let on Fond st., all modern improvements. Apply Hogan Bros., 92 Concord st.

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NICE ROOM—A milliner will sub-let a very nice front room in business block. Is suitable for dressmaking, manicuring or any office line of business. Will rent cheap. Address C. D., Sun Office.

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4-ROOM HOUSE to let on Elmwood ave. Key at No. 28, or T. H. Elliott, 64 Central st.

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5-ROOM TENEMENT to let, 8 Clark's court, off Lawrence st. Rent $8.

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If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Thomas Aiken, of Lowell, in said County, that he was lawfully married to Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken, now of Manchester, in the State of New Hampshire, at Lowell, on the third day of June, A. D. 1908, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Lowell; that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken, being wholly regardless of the same, at Nashua, in the State of New Hampshire, on or about the fifteenth day of May, 1909, committed the crime of adultery with Thomas Garkis, but at what particular place the libellant is unable more particularly to state; and on divers other days between his said marriage with her and this date committed the crime of adultery with other men whose names are unknown to the libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken.

Dated this twenty-seventh day of November, A. D. 1909.

THOMAS AIKEN.
JAMES E. O'DONNELL, Attorney.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, Dec. 8, A. D. 1909.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that she may then and there show cause, if any she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

And that an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon be sent by registered letter fourteen days at least before said return day to the last known residence of said Thomas Garkis, the person with whom adultery is alleged to have been committed, or where such residence is unknown, to the place where the adulterous act is alleged to have been committed.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.
Attest.
THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

LOST AND FOUND

GOLD CRESCENT PIN lost somewhere between Bartlett and Walput sts. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at 60 Bartlett st.

EYEGLASSES, in case, lost between U. S. Bunting mill and Epping st. Tuesday. Reward at 89 Epping st.

SMALL SUM OF MONEY lost Monday night, between Church st. and Knox's 5 and 10 cent store. Reward for return to 394 Concord st.

BELT PIN with amethyst setting lost Saturday night. Reward for return to 203 Market st., Alice Lynch.

FOR SALE

ONE GOOD BAKER WAGON for sale; also one No. 4 McDowell oven, in good order, all kinds of baking utensils, bowls and boxes, ice chest, ice cream freezer, Packer show cases, counter, work benches and everything that goes with the bakery business. Will sell the whole thing for $300, and let the building that is 41x24, all fitted with gas, for $5 a month. Inquire 93 Boynton st.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

THIS IS YOUR CHANCE—W. F. Trumbell, will cut prices on pianos for the next eight days. This will give all persons holding piano certificates, a chance to get a high grade piano at the same price as they would pay for a medium or cheap piano. Come to 101 Westford st. and see the finest lot ever shown.

NOTICE—Any new customer trading to the amount of $1.25 or over, in cash, will be given one box of St. Johnsbury Vermont crackers (100 crackers in each box. This offer is for this week only. Joel Bean's Market, 2 Dover st. Telephone 2511.

MADAME BREETON—World's greatest palmist and card reader. 50c sittings, this week 25c. 392 Bridge st. in rear, opposite Third st. 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.

HORSE CLIPPING by power, first class work guaranteed. Price $2. 100 Willie st.

ROOMS PAPERED, $1.75—We will paper your room with up-to-date wall paper for $1.75. Send postal for samples or telephone 2848-3. H. J. McCarthy, 811 Broadway.

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YOU WILL FIND at Agnes Berard's millinery parlors an elegant line of pattern hats that will be sold down below cost to close them out. Miss Berard carries only exclusive styles. Everything in line of trimmings marked down. You can have your hat made, or trimmed well, cheaper than at any other place in town. Making fur hats a specialty. 22 Central st. Take elevator. Room 41.

MRS. C. M. ROBINSON of the McDowell School of Dressmaking, Boston, has opened parlors at 427 Wyman's Exchange. Tel. 2180.

A PRIVATE HOME for ladies before and during confinement. Infants adopted. 92 Vine st., Nashua, N. H.

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CASH PAID for furniture, carpets, stoves and ranges. Write, call or phone. C. Welcome, 198 Broadway.

FURNITURE MOVING—Hugh McGrogan, furniture and piano mover, also dealer in wood and coal. Office 359 Broadway. Telephone 747; residence 57 Chestnut st.

RAZORS HONED and CONCAVED, saw filing, key fitting, clippers sharpened at Harry Gonzales, 125 Gorham st. Tel. 952-2.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

Food Sale

In aid of the First Universalist church will be held at Derby & Morse's store, 64 Middle St., from 3 to 5 o'clock, Saturday afternoon.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.46	6.50	6.14	7.18
x6.27	7.41	7.58	8.55
b6.44	7.53	8.15	9.01
6.49	7.30	9.00	9.39
7.01	8.00	10.00	10.36
7.23	8.05	b10.21	11.34
x7.31	8.50	11.30	12.07
7.44	8.35	12.00	12.56
8.48	9.25	1.00	1.37
8.56	9.35	2.00	3.04
b9.07	10.16	3.00	3.37
9.36	10.24	b3.31	5.02
10.45	11.40	4.00	4.37
11.38	12.20	x4.14	5.30
12.12	1.00	5.00	5.37
1.46	2.30	b5.21	6.23
2.41	3.38	5.38	6.28
3.57	4.40	b5.51	7.05
4.38	5.30	x6.14	7.30
5.20	6.15	7.30	8.08
b6.10	7.19	8.30	9.08
6.28	7.10	10.30	11.34
7.36	8.20	11.17	11.55
9.50	10.30	11.20	12.16

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.46	7.55	z7.00	8.10
6.04	8.55	7.30	8.52
9.50	10.50	9.24	10.39
10.50	11.55	10.55	11.52
12.05	1.10	11.50	12.54
z1.30	2.35	2.14	3.20
3.10	4.14	3.30	4.30
4.20	5.34	4.59	5.56
5.06	6.03	6.03	7.05
7.00	8.00	6.35	7.45
9.35	10.38	9.35	10.33
		x11.25	12.21

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.20	9.20	8.00	9.05
12.10	1.15	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.00	2.14	3.23
5.45	7.00	3.30	4.41
8.50	10.02	5.20	6.38
		8.30	9.42

SUNDAY TRAINS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.49	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.22	8.05	10.00	10.38
7.55	8.35	11.30	12.07
8.45	9.49	1.00	1.37
9.20	10.15	5.00	6.02
10.30	11.38	7.30	8.08
3.25	3.18	8.30	9.08
5.10	6.00	9.00	10.02
6.28	7.10	10.14	10.52
7.35	8.20	10.20	11.55

References:

x Runs to Lowell Saturdays only.
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s Via Salem Jct.
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LOCAL NEWS

Best of work at Tobin's Printery.

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Order your coal now at Mullin's, 953 Gorham street. Best coal in the city.

FUNERAL NOTICES

CLOUTMAN—Died, Dec. 16th, at the Soldiers' Home, Togus, Me., Charles Cloutman, aged 78 years. Funeral services will be held at the Edson cemetery chapel, Saturday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock. Friends invited without further notice. Undertaker George W. Healey in charge.

McDERMOTT—The funeral of Miss Minnie McDermott, will take place tomorrow afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker John A. Finnegan. Burial will be in the family lot in the Edson cemetery in charge of Undertaker John A. Finnegan.

PIERCE—The funeral of Margaret Jane Pierce will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the home of her parents, 61 Arch street. Burial will be in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, in charge of Undertaker John A. Finnegan.

FENDERSON—The funeral of George Stillman Fenderson will take place at 1.30 Sunday afternoon from his residence, 220 Westford street. Friends invited. Burial will be private. J. A. Weinbeck, undertaker.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

A very pleasant affair took place at the home of Miss Grace M. Robinson, being the occasion of her 21st birthday, No. 1, Hereford place, Thursday night. During the evening she was presented with a gold locket and chain by her many friends, the presentation address being made by Miss Effie Leslie. Miss Robinson responded in an able manner. Refreshments were served and a general good time followed.

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SUICIDAL MANIA

May be Defense in the Snead Murder Case

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The suicidal mania of Ocey Snead is apparently the defense relied upon by the three sisters of the Wardlaw family arrested in connection with her mysterious death.

Despite the fact that prison bars now hold all the women members of the family in which the bath tub victim lived when she was either slowly grieving herself to death over the disappearance of her husband, as Mrs. Caroline Martin, her mother, insists, or was being systematically starved and mentally influenced into a state of helplessness, as is one of the police theories, the mysterious death of Ocey Snead seemed today as little nearer actual solution than when the first discoveries were made in the case.

"We starve her?" exclaimed Mrs. Martin, Ocey's mother, in commenting on the police suggestion. "We all loved her more than our lives. That was one of the ways in which she intended to do away with herself if no other fashion offered."

Mrs. Martin who was arrested yesterday and held to await extradition to New Jersey insists that the suicide notes found in her hotel room were all written by Ocey while she was grieving over the disappearance of Fletcher Snead, her husband, and that she had to be constantly watched to prevent her taking her own life. The thought of suicide became a mania with the girl, her mother asserts.

The comment that daily developing facts throw no light on the bath tub mystery without illuminating it seems to hold good in connection with Mrs. Martin's reported assertion that Virginia Wardlaw, aunt of the victim, and the first person apprehended in the case, knowing that her niece intended self-destruction, lingered in the lower part of the East Orange house where the tragedy occurred, fearing a gruesome discovery when she went upstairs.

Mrs. Mary Snead who was taken in custody late yesterday maintained a reticent attitude in her cell in the Tombs prison where she spent the night and a statement from her was hardly expected until her arraignment, which has been set for tomorrow.

Fletcher Snead who has been located in St. Catherines, Ont., aside from expressing an opinion that his wife was a suicide, had nothing to reveal in helping clear up the mystery. Prosecutor Mott of Essex county declares that he does not seek Snead's apprehension.

Handwriting experts are expected to play a prominent part in the case and today were giving careful scrutiny to the mass of documents unearthed in the investigation, particular attention being paid to the "suicide" and other notes and letters found in Mrs. Martin's apartments.

SHORTEN THE CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

We doubt if there is a single family representative in Lowell or in the neighboring towns who is now doing the annual Christmas hunt for "something," but that could at once find a quick selection of a most suitable gift at the Lowell Gas Light company's appliance store on John street. Something useful, too. Something that will serve for years. A very wide range of prices fitted to an exceedingly wide range of lamp goods. A beautiful display. Come in and look. No one is made uncomfortable if they do not purchase. Come in and see with a good light what a good light is.

FUNERALS

ROHAN—The funeral of the late Timothy Rohan took place this morning at 9 o'clock from his home and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Patrick's church where at 9.45 o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Fr. Callahan. The choir under the direction of Mr. Michael Johnson sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered. The bearers were Maurice O'Connor, Patrick Slack, Stephen Brosnahan and Timothy Kennedy. At the grave Rev. Fr. Callahan read the committal prayers and the burial was in the Catholic cemetery in charge of Undertaker Thomas A. Saunders.

GOYETTE—The funeral of George Goyette took place yesterday morning from his home in South Lowell, with solemn funeral services at St. Joseph's church. Rev. Fts. Barette, Graton and Amyot, O. M. I., officiated. The choir sang Perrault's mass, Frank Gourdeau directing, and Joseph A. Bernard playing the organ. At the offertory Miss Anna Bourassa sang Leybach's "Pie Jesu." Frank Gourdeau sang "O Christi." At the end of the mass the choir sang "De Profundis." The bearers were Joseph and Albert Gendreau, Jas. David, Arthur Lacombe, Arthur Marchilden and Arthur Dumont. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, and Rev. Fr. Barette, O. M. I., officiated at the grave. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

DUFFY—The funeral of the late Thomas Duffy, one of Centralville's oldest and most highly esteemed Catholic residents, took place this morning from his home, 24 Riverside avenue, and was largely attended, many of the older families of that section being in attendance at the funeral services, which were held at St. Michael's church. High mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Francis Mullin and the choir, under the direction of Thomas P. Boulger, rendered the Gregorian mass, the solos being sustained by Mr. Boulger and Mrs. James A. Murphy. Miss Carolyn White presided at the organ. Among those from out of town at the services were Mrs. Sarah McQuinn and daughter and James Duffy and daughter of Wilkesbarre, Pa., Mr. Edward Duffy of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. Miles Feerick and family of Roxbury, Mass., and Mr. James Feerick of New Bedford, Mass. The bearers were Messrs. Devine, O'Neil, Davlin and John Cawley. The remains were interred in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery, where the prayers at the grave were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. Burial was under the direction of C. H. Molloy & Sons.

BUZZELL—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Buzzell took place this morning from her late home, 139 Cushing street, and was very largely attended. A funeral high mass was celebrated by Rev. Joseph Curtin in St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. The Gregorian chant was rendered by the choir. M. J. Johnson was the organist and choir director. The solos were rendered by Miss Alice Murphy and Andrew McCarthy. The burial was in the Catholic cemetery. The bearers were Michael Mitchell, W. H. McCabe, M. Dailey, Ed. Tobin, Wm. Mitchell, J. Pinneau and M. Savage. Rev. Fr. Curtin read the prayers at the grave. There were many floral offerings. C. H. Molloy & Sons had charge.

DEATHS

MAHONEY—Mrs. Ellen Mahoney, an old resident of this city, died today at her home, 6 New street. She leaves to mourn her loss, two daughters, Mrs. Maurice O'Connor of Milford, N. H., and Mrs. Daniel Twomey of this city, one son Dennis, one sister, Mrs. Nora Curtin of this city, and three brothers, Timothy Lyons of Lowell and two in Ireland. She was a member of the Married Ladies' sodality of St. Peter's parish. Funeral notice later.

HUNTON—Luman L. Hunton of East Livermore, Me., died Dec. 11. He leaves one son, Adelbert E. of East Livermore, two brothers, J. G. Hunton of this city, and Albert H. Hunton of East Livermore, Me., two sisters, Mrs. Eliza E. Stevens of Pepperell, Mass., and Mrs. John L. Stevens of this city, one grandchild, Mrs. Bertha Hunton Pomeroy, and one great-grandchild. Mr. Hunton formerly lived in Lowell.

FENDERSON—After a lingering illness, George Stillman Fenderson died early this morning at his home, 220 Westford street, aged 59 years 3 months and 7 days. All that medical skill could do was done for him, but was of no avail. Mr. Fenderson was well known in Lowell. For 45 years he had been employed in the Lowell Machine shop, much of the time as overseer. He was an active member of St. Paul's M. E. church, having been superintendent of St. Paul's Sunday School, and having filled other positions of trust in that church. As a member of Oberlin lodge, I. O. O. F., he held the position of treasurer for 20 years. He was past regent of Lowell council, Royal Arcanum, and past councillor of Greenhalge council, Loyal association.

He was also a member of Washington Commandery, Golden Cross, and a director of the Middlesex Co-operative bank. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Ralph W. Emerson of Chelmsford, and two brothers, Charles H. and Edward J., both of Lowell.

MILLARD F. WOOD The Merrimack St. Jeweler

We have added to our fine line of DIAMONDS A choice selection for the holidays at special prices.
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Made to fit—in accurate sizes and tasteful patterns and colorings $5.00, $7.50, $10.00

DISTINCTIVE NECKWEAR
Rich woven silks, knitted silks, crocheted silk and heavy, lustrous satins—in correct shapes.
25c, 50c, $1.00 up to $2.50

GLOVES
For all purposes—dress, street, driving; Fownes, Perrin, Frere's or Adler's makes..... $1.00, $1.15, $1.50 to $6.50

SUSPENDERS
Lisle, silk or heavy webbing—beautifully mounted and trimmed 50c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50
Also combination boxes of suspenders and garters, or suspenders, garters and arm elastics.

HANDKERCHIEFS
Linen, with 1-8 or 1-4 inch hems—plain or with neat initial letter—also silk with initial or fancy borders.
25c, 50c
Handkerchiefs in boxes, 1-2 dozen..... $1.50, $2.50

Cuff Link and Scarf Pin Sets, 50c, $1.00, up to $2.50
Lisle or Silk Hose, 25c, 50c, $1
Manhattan Shirts, $1.50, $2.00 $2.50
Suit Cases and Club Bags, $5.00 to $6.50
Umbrellas .....$1.00 to $5.00
Dress Shields and Mufflers The Phenix 50c
Silk .....$1.50 to $3.00
Golf Jackets.....$3.00 to $6.00
Night Robes and Pajamas, 50c to $2.00
Fancy Vests.....$2.00 to $5.00
Pieced Seal Caps $5.00

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Parlor Tables,
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The Finest In Town.
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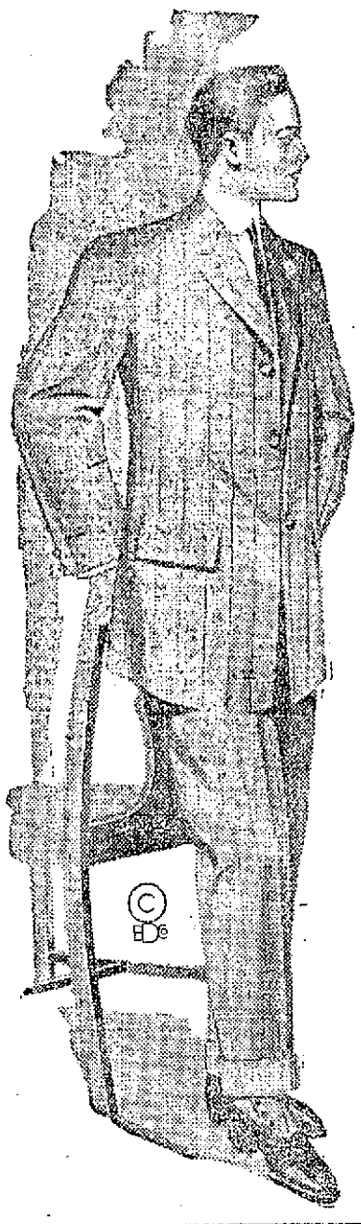

At $15, Mixture Coats
that the wholesaler expected to sell at that price. High military storm collars.

At $16.75, Black Kersey Coats
Those fine, reliable, always dressy coats that are in good form year after year.

At $18.50, a Fancy Mixture Coat
that's made for a swell dresser, with cuffs—a nice dress collar that can be transformed into a Protector Collar when need arises.

A Plush Lined Coat
with a Fur Collar and Faced With Fur. Warm, rich looking, comfortable and priced at $22 so that everybody can own one.

SUITS
At Prices That Compel Buying
$18.00 Suits at $15.00, not one or two but 50, in fancies and blacks, and plain blue serges. $18.50 are Suits that would earlier be worth $25.00.
Give the boy the attention he deserves and needs. Buy for him a $5.00 Suit at $3.75. Or a Coat at $4.00 that you might pay $6.25 for, and these Shoes at $1.85 for little, small boys, and at $2.00 for his bigger brother.

Hats for Men at $2.00
Special at $2.50 that's a fetching style to say the least.

Classy Clothes
For the young man just out of boyhood and just before manhood.

At $15
OVERCOATS that are full of style and smartness. $8.50 different models in yet newer fabrics, and every one with some little quirk of fashion that is so taking with young men.

$2.50 and $3.50 SHOES
Patent Leather Colt Skin and shapes, too many to tell about.

SWEATERS AT $2.50, $3.50
Gray, white and cardinal Shaker knit worsteds and woolens, and they feel good and warm these cold days.

Will Your Lady Wear a Fur?
Most certainly yes; and bless the giver of so delightful, practical and sightly a present. Read carefully and see how far a little money will go.

MUFFS
At $4.45 a handsome opossum pillow-shaped one. At $7.75 a lustrous black bear, either rug or pillow. At $8.95 black, extra large muff of marten; and at $10.00 fox muffs, eight Isabella skins.

Neck Pieces and Sets
At $4.45 a match to the muff of the same price. A double throw of Marten at $8.95. A Shawl, wide and warm at $10.00. At $12.50 a Brook Mink collar, shining as only prime skins can. At $15.50 Fur Shawls with natural tails.

Don't Miss the Chance to Buy a Caracul Coat
DON'T miss this chance to buy a caracul coat, because they're marked at JANUARY prices and because they're coats that are good for several seasons of wear.

$37.50 COATS at $25.00 made from imported GERMAN CARACUL, noted for its black marking.
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EXTRA

WM. HOBART'S WILL

Will be Contested in the Probate Court

A will contest of local interest which will be heard in the contested session of the probate court in this city next Tuesday is that brought by relatives of the late William Hobart, for many years a resident of Tremont street, who petition to break the will on the ground of undue influence on the part of the beneficiary, Mrs. Margaret Hanley. The case is made interesting by the fact that while the beneficiary did not suspect that the estate bequeathed to her consisted of anything more valuable than personal effects, a report has it that the deceased was heir to a fortune of great amount in Marysville, Cal.

William Hobart was a well known character about town for many years. He was formerly a mill overseer, but of late years had done no active work. He lived alone for over 20 years in Tremont street and while he always could pay his way and had plenty of pocket money he owned no real estate or personal property. He was slightly over 60 years of age, but appeared much older and for the past few years had been quite feeble.

Mrs. Hanley, for several years was a waitress in Putnam's restaurant and also conducted a lodging house in Tyler street, where she supported her aged mother and two children, for many years, being a widow. Among the patrons of Putnam's restaurant Mrs. Hanley, who was familiarly known as "Maggie," was noted for her many acts of kindness for people poorer or less fortunate than herself. Mr. Hobart took his meals at the restaurant for a long time and upon one occasion when he was ill Mrs. Hanley during her leisure time at his request went to his apartments and looked after him. After that she showed him many acts of kindness and he once informed her that while he could not pay her at that time some day she would be rewarded. Two years ago he made a will and informed Mrs. Hanley that he had left her his estate. Mrs. Hanley jokingly thanked him, not believing that he owed anything that would necessitate making a will. Last June he was injured in an accident and Mrs. Hanley took care of him and last October he became quite ill and sent for her. His condition was such that she advised him to go to the hospital, where he died. Mrs. Hanley attended to the funeral arrangements and thought no more of the will until approached by a lawyer relative to the appointment of an executor.

"I'm sure I don't know whether his estate amounts to anything or not," said Mrs. Hanley to a reporter of The Sun. "I simply did for him what I would want someone to do for my folks if they were left alone in their old age. I had no intention of going into the matter until a lawyer representing a relative came to me."

Friends of the deceased state that he was heir to an estate in California from which at intervals he received amounts from $500 to $1000. His only relative in Lowell is a niece, a Mrs. Wheiton, who is the petitioner to break the will. Mrs. Hanley resides with her married son in Appleton street.

PRES. ZELAYA

Says That He Proposes to Leave the Country

MANAGUA, Dec. 17.—President Zelaya, who resigned yesterday, last night cabled a conciliatory message to President Taft saying that he had shown his good faith by resigning in order that Nicaragua might resume friendly relations with the United States. He added that he proposed to leave the country but stood ready to account for his acts as president.

Zelaya's message to President Taft follows:

"On Dec. 4 I cabled to Washington this message:

" 'Secretary Knox: I believe the sources of your information are prejudiced and request that the United States send a committee of investigation. If its findings show my administration to be detrimental to Central America I will resign.'

"I have received no reply. To avoid harm to my country and desiring that it shall renew friendly relations with the United States I have today sent my resignation to congress. As my opponents consider my presence a disturbing factor I propose to show my good faith by leaving Nicaragua. I stand ready to account for my acts."

REEVES ARRESTED

FALL RIVER, Dec. 17.—An attempt to poison his daughter, her husband and their child is the charge hanging over Charles Reeves, 65 years of age, who was arrested yesterday at Appanoug, R. I. He was arraigned in district court this morning.

Ernest Larocque, an insurance agent, living at South Main and Slade streets, son-in-law of Reeves and one of the victims, made the complaint.

Insect powder placed in some bottles of beer and in a keg, and ground glass, which was hidden in butter served at the Larocque table caused sickness in the family.

It is believed that Reeves is not in sound mental condition. He worked in the Globe yarn mills and up to two weeks ago boarded with the Larocques. Larocque at that time ordered him out and told him not to return. Before leaving Reeves threatened to "get square" with the family.

The next day both Larocque and his wife were taken sick after drinking a bottle of beer, and later their child became ill. A quantity of ground glass was subsequently detected in the butter.

Reeves disappeared and no clue to his whereabouts was discovered until Wednesday, when he was located in Appanoug.

LOST HIS WAY

Wild Duck Perched on the House Tops

It is not very often that a wild duck perches on the housetops, but the unusual happened in Stevens street this morning. The duck was shot at and, despite the fact that he allowed his would-be captors to get within a few feet of him, he managed to get away.

General attention was called to the duck by the report of the shot that was aimed at him. Charlie Barton was the man with the gun, and he fired only one shot. The duck seemed so tuckered out that Mr. Barton decided to take his chance with several others to capture the duck alive.

Mr. Barton got a ladder and hustled to the roof of the house where duckie was resting and just as he reached out for the bird duckie ducked and landed in the grass near the Marshall avenue green houses and there he rested with his head so turned as to be able to see what was going on behind him.

The first to spy him was a boy and he crept softly toward him. The duck was on, all right, but he didn't move until the boy's hands were almost upon him and then he flew away and made good his escape. Those who watched him said it seemed a great effort for him to fly. It is believed that he was one of a flock and that he probably fell by the wayside and was abandoned. Left by his lonesome he was all to the bad and didn't care what happened to him.

NEGRO WAS ELECTROCUTED

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 17.—Clifton Breckenridge, a negro 19 years old, was electrocuted in the penitentiary here today for a criminal attack on the six-year-old daughter of the Staunton jailer. Breckenridge was a trusty in the jail at the time he confessed.

SOLEMN SERVICE

Funeral of the Late John Meehan

The funeral of the late John Meehan, of the well known firm of Meehan & Mahan, monumental workers, took place this morning from his home, 26 Cosgrove street, and was largely attended. The funeral cortege of 50 carriages, one of the largest in the history of the Sacred Heart parish, proceeded to the Sacred Heart church, in Moore street, where at 9 o'clock solemn high mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Fr. Fletcher, O. M. I., assisted by Rev. Fr. Smith, O. M. I. deacon and Rev. Fr. Tighe, O. M. I., sub-deacon. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. Adelaide Muldoon, rendered the Gregorian mass. At the offertory, Mr. John J. Dalton rendered "Pie Jesu." After the elevation, James E. Donnelly sang "Jesu Salvator Mundi." At the close of the service "In Paradisium" was sung by the choir and as the remains were being borne from the church, "De Profundis" was sung, Mr. Peter Clune sustaining the solos. The solo in the Libera was sustained by Edward F. Shea. Present at the service were friends from Boston, Somerville, Lawrence, North Billerica, Woburn, Providence and other places, and delegations from the board of trade, Knights of Equity, Court City of Lowell, F. of A., Holy Name society of the Sacred Heart church, Granite Cutters' union, North Billerica council, Royal Arcanum and the Mt. Pleasant Associates. The funeral cortege upon re-forming proceeded to the Catholic cemetery where the interment took place in the family lot. At the grave a trio consisting of E. F. Shea, J. J. Dalton and James E. Donnelly rendered "Nearer, My God, to Thee." The interment was in charge of Thomas J. McDermott. Among the many beautiful floral tributes laid upon the grave were the following:

Large crescent on base with star on top with ribbon inscribed "Husband and Father," from the family; large pillow with ribbon inscribed "Father," Mrs. Michael McMahon; large pillow inscribed "Grandfather," from Margaret and Lillian; large pillow inscribed "N. B. C. 1323" from the North Billerica council, R. A.; large spray of pinks, sympathy of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Estabrook and family; large wreath of galax leaves, Mr. John S. Haynes and sons; large spray of pinks, sympathy of Mr. Edward O'Brien of Winchester; large wreath on base inscribed "Rest," from P. J. Mahan and family; large standing cross on base, sympathy of Joseph Heyer and family; large wreath of roses, pinks and chrysanthemums, Miss Ella M. Reilly; wreath of galax leaves with roses, sympathy of James J. McManmon; wreath of galax leaves with violets with purple ribbon inscribed "At Rest," Mr. and Mrs. John C. Pihl; large wreath inscribed "Our Friend," from the Lowell branch of Granite Workers' union; spray of pinks, sympathy of Mr. and Mrs. W. Fletcher; large spray of pinks and roses, sympathy of Gumb Bros.; wreath, Martin Conway; wreath, William Collins; spray, Mrs. C. Hopkins.

SMOKE TALK

The members of Lowell Council, Knights of Columbus, enjoyed a pleasant smoke talk at their rooms last evening at which the feature was a talk on football by Dr. Daniel Hurley, former captain of the Harvard football team. The talk, which was decidedly interesting throughout, was followed by a musical program and refreshments. There was a large attendance.

STANDARD OIL APPEAL

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17.—The appeal of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, its subsidiaries and the several individuals against whom the government recently won its dissolution suit in the United States circuit court, was filed here today.

SEE CANDY MADE TWO O'CLOCK

All who call at our office this afternoon will see the electric chafing dish used for making candy.

Other electric home utensils will be demonstrated and an opportunity given to inspect the particularly attractive line we now have on display.

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MAN FOUND DEAD

George W. Hamblett Died in His Shop on Smith Street

George W. Hamblett, who has conducted a shoemaking shop at 20 Smith street for a great many years, was found dead in that place about 11.30 o'clock this morning by Prosper Jones and Philip Gibson, employes of the Conway Transfer Co., whose stable is close by.

Mr. Hamblett, though advanced in years, was apparently in the best of health when he reached his place of business this morning. About 11.30 o'clock a boy entered the place and found the old man lying face downward on the floor. Being frightened at the sight he rushed into the stable of the Conway Transfer Co. and Messrs. Jones and Gibson went to the shop and found that Hamblett was dead.

Dr. H. H. Sumner was notified, but when he arrived an examination showed that Hamblett had been dead for some time.

The deceased resided at 12 Leroy street and is survived by a wife and family.

STRIKE BREAKERS CAUSED TROUBLE

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—The state board of conciliation and arbitration, when informed today of the renewed outbreak at the Ludlow mills, stated that the trouble came from the presence of strike-breakers and not from any dissatisfaction with the rate of pay.

According to the information received at the state house, one of the strikers on returning to work found the coat of a strike-breaker on his hook. It was immediately tossed onto the floor and when other strike-breakers were found at work in the mill the strikers at once marched out. The state board could not understand why there should have been any dissatisfaction regarding the pay as both sides clearly understood that the strikers should return to work at 20 cents a roll and that if the result of the arbitration should place the rate higher the difference was to be at once made up by the company. A member of the state board left for Ludlow at noon today.

MAN INSTANTLY KILLED

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 17.—Alexander Lindsay of Belmont, N. S., was instantly killed today when he was knocked from a car by a pole on Elmwood avenue. He was in the act of boarding the car and got on the wrong side. Before the vestibule door could be opened he was struck and killed.

EXAMINING COOK RECORDS

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 17.—The examination of Dr. Cook's North pole records seems likely to be concluded much sooner than had been anticipated. It appears possible that the report will be presented at tomorrow's meeting of the consistory of the university of Copenhagen.

The prospect of such an early termination is not regarded as a good omen by the public which is friendly to Cook.

ALD. WAINWRIGHT

To Build Two New Houses

Politics was not the most important thing that Alderman John W. Wainwright has had in mind for the last few weeks. He was contemplating the building of a better and a stronger foundation in another quarter. With Mr. Wainwright the real estate bee outbuzzes the aldermanic bee and he is about to build two $5000 houses in School street, corner of Marsh street. Each of the houses will be built to accommodate three families and they will be modern and up to date in every respect.

Arthur W. Genest has been granted a permit to build a small stable at 12 Quimby avenue.

BIG RACE TRACK

TO BE SOLD WITHIN NEXT THREE WEEKS

CINCINNATI Dec. 17.—Cincinnati racing men say the Latonia track will be sold within the next three weeks, though some of them are not sanguine as to the time for the proposed deal. At any rate they say that the Cellas, Rhinock and Myers people have decided it would be advisable to sell.

This will be done by a syndicate which will cut up the grounds into lots and dispose of them.

REP. BROUSSARD

BADLY BURNED AT HIS WIFE'S MOTHER'S HOUSE

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 17.—Congressman Robert F. Broussard of Louisiana was severely burned at the home of his wife's mother yesterday. His dressing gown caught fire from a grate and Mr. Broussard sustained serious burns about the body and shoulders. Mrs. Broussard in her efforts to tear the blazing garment from her husband was burned about the hands and arms.

GEN'L SUTTON DEAD

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 17.—Major General Walter F. Sutton, who fought under Grant at Vicksburg and marched to the sea with Sherman, died here yesterday. He was born at Herkimer, N. Y., entered the Union army with Wisconsin volunteers and practiced medicine for many years at Lacrosse, Wis. Death resulted from a fall.

GIFT OF GOLD

Was Presented to Rev. Fr. Walsh

Nearly 800 parishioners of St. Patrick's church, Roxbury, assembled in that edifice Wednesday night to attend the weekly meeting of the Married Women's sodality, for they knew that an interesting event was to take place.

The outcome of the plans was in every way as pleasing as had been anticipated, and Fr. Thomas A. Walsh, who for nearly a score of years had been attached to the parish, was no doubt the happiest of all in the company.

Several weeks ago he was selected by Archbishop O'Connell to take charge of a new parish in Collinsville, and the well known clergyman left almost immediately following the announcement of his appointment. For many years Fr. Walsh had been the spiritual director of the sodality which met Wednesday night, and by the parishioners generally, he had been held in the highest esteem.

During nearly 20 years in their midst he had been very close to them, and it was determined that the clergyman should not leave without some appreciable remembrance, so a very substantial present in gold was arranged. Fr. Walsh was invited to go to Roxbury Wednesday evening and then escorted to the church.

Fr. James F. Regan, who has succeeded Fr. Walsh as director of the sodality, officiated at the regular services, and at their close Fr. Joseph H. Gallagher, the pastor, came from the vestry with Fr. Walsh and the pastor delivered the address of presentation. He spoke of the long years Fr. Walsh had been with him and of the valuable assistance he had given during the long time he had been a priest of the parish.

Fr. Gallagher presented Fr. Walsh the gift of the people and a response that was full of deep feeling was made by Fr. Walsh. He was affected by the kindness of those among whom he had been a clergyman so long, and extended them his heartiest wishes for a successful future.

Following the ceremony many of those at the services had the opportunity of meeting Fr. Walsh personally and expressing their kind regards for him. They extended to him wishes for all success in his new parish.

Prescott hall to let Sat. evenings.

RECOUNT TALK

Charles Hartwell Makes Study of Tally Sheets

And Says He Does Not Believe That Any Mistake Has Been Made in the Count—The Vote is Regular Throughout

No petitions for recounts had been filed at the city clerk's office up to the noon hour today. They will be filed this afternoon. The petitioners have until 5 o'clock this evening. The board of registrars will meet at that hour. Notices of the recounts will be sent out after the meeting and the recount will begin at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

It is not expected that any material changes will be made as a result of the recount. Charles Hartwell, who is an expert on election figures, has gone over the tally sheets in the city clerk's office. He says that the number of mistakes discovered were few and he did not discover any mistakes at all in the vote for mayor and purchasing agent. "The vote was consistent throughout," said Mr. Hartwell. In precinct two of ward three I discovered a block of 51 instead of 50, and that doesn't amount to anything.

"The story of the lost block of 50 in precinct one of ward five is absurd to say the least. In that precinct there are 387 names listed and there were 344 votes cast. With these facts and figures staring you in the face you would have to figure some to show a loss of 50."

Mr. Hartwell went over the tally sheets very carefully and these are the mistakes he found:

Ward 3, precinct 1, Connors, 168, not 166; ward 3, precinct 2, mayor's vote, one ballot uncertain; ward 3, precinct 2, Welch 82, not 79; ward 3, precinct 3, Connors, 133, not 132; ward 4, precinct 1, Rountree 274, not 279; ward 4, precinct 3, Adams, 168, not 167; Carmichael, 404, not 403; Gallagher, 359, not 370; ward 5, precinct 2, Brennen, 313, not 314; ward 7, precinct 2, Wainwright, 243, not 233; ward 7, precinct 3, Lyons, 194, not 214; Qua, 348, not 338; ward 8, precinct 1, Byam, 396, not 394; Carmichael 256, not 275; ward 8, precinct 3, Gallagher, 224, not 228; ward 9, precinct 1, Qua, 211, not 208.

"There was something I noticed while going over the sheets" said Mr. Hartwell, "that is worthy of mention. All the nine aldermen elected carried ward seven, so that if the votes of the other wards were not considered at all the same nine aldermen would have been elected."

BOSTON LAWYER

Candidate For Mayor Placed Under Arrest

MILFORD, N. H., Dec. 17.—John D. Hadlock, an attorney of Boston and the "home rule" candidate for mayor of that city, left here for Boston today in the custody of Police Inspector Lynch of Boston. Hadlock was arrested here last night by Inspector Lynch and it is understood that irregularities in securing endorsements of his mayoralty candidacy were behind the police action.

GRAND JURY ACTED

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—John C. Hadlock who was arrested in Milford, N. H., today in connection with alleged fraudulent nomination papers in his candidacy for mayor of this city, was one of the first to declare his aspirations under the new charter provisions which required the endorsement of five thousand voters for each candidate.

A long list of names was filed with the election commissioners about the first of the month endorsing Mr. Hadlock. In the examination of the papers the commissioners found irregularities in the names as well as in the signatures.

The grand jury investigated the case and reported several secret indictments.

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WHIPPET RACING

The Poor Man's "Race Horse" and His Ways

As Lowell has many whippets and more whippet fanciers, an article in this week's Collier's Weekly entitled "The Poor Man's Race Horse," will be read with interest. It is as follows:

Silverheels was a thoroughbred of mixed blood. In other words, she was that canine paradox, a whippet—the fleetest animal on four feet, the joy of a Yorkshireman's heart and the pride of his household.

From puppyhood her favorite game was a chase. Anything offered an excuse. It might be a bit of paper tossed on the breeze which with some difficulty penetrated to the back yard of the weaver's cottage where she lived, or it might be the shadow of a cloud passing between earth and sun. She was a clumsy puppy, with legs disproportionately long for her slender body, and a snakelike tail, which, when her attention was attracted, she tucked carefully out of harm's way between her legs. Her muzzle grew long and sharp and her coat was short and glossy and fawn-colored. At five months old, when her serious education began, Silverheels was to all intents and purposes a replica in miniature of an English greyhound. There were the long racing lines in every inch of her anatomy, although accentuated, the slender, strong toes, the soft, well-developed foot cushion, the slim body, and beyond all, the long legs, so thin that apparently a man might snap them between thumb and finger, yet muscular and sinewy even in lanky youth and giving due promise for the future.

"'Tis time Tip began to learn," said her master to a companion who came with him one day to the back yard to look at the pup and her mother. To the world at large she was always Silverheels, but to her intimates she bore another name, suggested by the spot of white on her tail.

"Oh aye," replied the stranger. "She's right for it now; and, if I know a whippet, she's a keen one."

Thereafter Silverheels' world broadened. Every morning while her owner waited for his breakfast, and every evening after the day's work in the weaveshop was at an end, they played together at games she liked. The master shook a towel in her face, and, catching it in her teeth, she would cling with the tenacity of seasoned glue. It was thus that she showed her mettle and the ancestry which lay back of her grip.

With the advent of the new era for Silverheels she found herself the favored companion of her master in long walks of a Sunday or holiday. Sometimes on these outings she ran free, while at others she adorned the end of a leash, tugging lustily for all of the five or six miles covered, developing her muscles until presently her flanks presented the appearance of a tangle of fine twine. Sometimes on the Sunday walks Silverheels and her master would meet other men and dogs. Such a meeting led to her first race.

A long level stretch of macadam highway furnished the course. An Englishman with a dog no older than Silverheels, but somewhat heavier, gave the challenge, which her master accepted, and the two betook themselves down the street a distance of a hundred and fifty yards, leaving their dogs in the hands of strangers. The man who held Silverheels was no stranger to her, but she detested him cordially. Held tightly by the nape of the neck and the tail, the dogs at the start had no opportunity to display dislikes. Accordingly they kept their eyes fixed on the men down the street.

Of a sudden at the crack of a pistol Silverheels felt herself pitched forward. A little way off her master was calling to her, waving madly a big colored handkerchief with which she had been accustomed to play. She recovered her footing and ran as she had not run before, with her rival at her side. She put forth an extra effort and in an unappreciable moment the other dog's nose was at her shoulder; another spurt and she had lost him. Now the rag was just ahead, and now she clutched it and hung on like grim death, while her master reached for the stakes.

"Eh, man, but she's a fast one," remarked the onlookers, crowding around with their congratulations.

Racing Holidays

Memorial day is the first of the four great whippet racing festivals in that portion of the country where the sport flourishes. It is the earliest mill holiday bringing suitable weather, and it is English mill employes who are at the same time the devotees and the promoters of the sport. The Fourth of July is the second racing day of importance, Labor day comes next, and if good weather holds the season closes with a grand flourish on Thanksgiving.

The whippet has fairly won its reputation of being the fleetest four-footed animal used for racing. Although in appearance a pocket edition of a greyhound, it has more of other blood than of greyhound in its veins. Weighing up to twenty-eight pounds, it can in its best representatives cover two hundred and twenty yards in twelve seconds, rather better than the time of the swiftest thoroughbred horse, and at the rate of forty-five miles an hour.

It was in the north of England that the breed and the sport originated. In Yorkshire and Lancashire handicaps are held every year which draw three to four hundred entries, and thousands of spectators crowd around the tracks to see the little dogs run. In America whippet-racing is of comparatively recent date, fifteen or twenty years at the outside, and beyond the circles of Englishmen has made slow headway. It is noticeable, however, that more bench-shows every year provide for whippet classes.

This fact is the more remarkable because the secret of whippet breeding lies in the commingling of widely separated blood. Mate a greyhound and a bulldog, and the chances are that the resultant litter will show more of the hound than of the bulk. Pick the best of the lot and breed the second time, either with a fox or an Irish terrier, and if the offspring threatens to be overweight, breed in cousin to cousin, or closer. It takes four years at the lowest calculation to get a whippet by this process, but the result can not be duplicated in the world.

From the greyhound come the fleetness of foot and the fine lines which go with speed; from the bull there are the pluck and tenacity which refuse to recognize defeat, and from the terrier the snap and "go" which make a dog "keen," as the fanciers put it. This process of breeding is not practised to any large extent on this side of the water. In the great centers of the sport in the United States, the mill villages of Rhode Island, Fall River, Lowell, and a few places in New Jersey, whippets will continue to be bred from whippets until it is found desirable to obtain a larger infusion of the vim of the small terrier or the grit of the bulldog.

Many dogs begin racing before they are a year old. If a man thinks he has a champion, however, he will hold it back from hard training until about fifteen months. The first lesson the young dogs receive is following a towel their masters trail in front of them. They are taught to cling steadfastly when once they have set their teeth into it. By the time they are mature enough to undergo training for handicap races, the little fellows have learned pretty well from occasional scratch meetings what is expected of them. Preliminary to the maiden race for a prize, however, comes a season of arduous preparation. During the first week the dogs are purged with physics, fed on a combination of pig's feet and other ingredients made into a jelly, and after the morning road-work each day have a bath and are rubbed down and blanketed. Their feet receive the most careful attention during this period, since it is on their condition that success largely depends.

This procedure is followed up to the day of the race. Early morning trials are held between friends in the secrecy of some remote spot, away from the followers of the dogs, who are always on the lookout for tips.

In a handicap race there may be any number of dogs entered for a single prize, the running being done in relays of four. The list will include whippets ranging in size all the way from five or six pounds up to twenty-eight (anything above the latter figure being looked on with extreme disfavor), and in age they will range from under twelve months up to eight or nine years—for a few will keep in the game up to the very edge of doddering senility. Handicapping is a delicate business, to be handled by an expert. It is subject to many considerations. If possible, one scratch dog is put in every relay of four, although in a big field this can not often be done. One rule is to give a dog under twelve months old the greatest possible advantage, and to handicap four feet for every month above twelve up to a certain limit.

The course in America is generally two hundred yards long and ten feet wide. This gives room for four dogs running abreast. When all is ready the runners-up, who are always the owners, take their positions two-thirds of the way down the track, the slippers holding the entrants at the starting line. At a word from the starters the runners-up race down the course, and when all are across a line ten yards from the finish the pistol is fired and away go the whippets, each heading straight for its master, who is now at the end of the track yelling like a fiend and waving his towel up and down. As they pass under the wire the dogs jump for the towels, and are usually swung clear of the ground by their own impetus.

The Art of Slipping

A field of forty starters means ten relays, and the winning dog must cover the course at least three times before he reads his title clear. Slipping is an art by itself. Some slippers hold the dog by the scruff of the neck and the tail close to the body, and at the pistol shot toss it ahead as far as they can. The skill with which an experienced whippet will catch its stride after being thus unceremoniously handled is marvelous. Some dogs, however, have difficulty in learning the art of managing their legs when slipped thus, so that while this style of starting may be good for several feet for one racer it confuses and proves impracticable for another.

Promising whippets command comparatively high prices in the communities where the little dogs are raced. The owner of Orphan Boy, a Providence dog, for instance, refused an offer of $250. Orphan Boy was so successful later that he was barred from open handicaps. Little Bobs, Red of Stone, Bendigo, and Hunt's Mary are other animals whose names are as well known in whippet circles as are those of Maud S. and Lou Dillon in the harness-racing world.

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KING IS DEAD

Continued

tally unprepared for such a fatal termination. It was a nun, acting as a nurse, who first noticed the heavy breathing of the king. She called Dr. Thiriar to the bedside. Both Drs. Thiriar and De Page resorted to injections of morphine, but this had no effect.

Shortly after the end had come, the ministers were notified, the first official to arrive in the death chamber being the royal chaplain. The ministers remained in the chamber for a considerable time, discussing the sudden death and matters of state in subdued tones.

Leopold II, king of the Belgians, son of the late King Leopold I, upon whose death, which occurred Dec. 10, 1865, he succeeded to the throne, was born at Brussels April 9, 1835. His father was the former Prince of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, and his mother, Princess Louise, daughter of King Louis Phillippe of France. On Aug. 22, 1853, he married the Arch Duchess Marie Henriette, daughter of Arch Duke Joseph of Austria. She died Sept. 19, 1902. Three daughters were born of this union, Louise, Stephanie and Clementine. The two elder princesses have been estranged from their father, but Clementine remained in his affections.

There being no direct hereditary heir, the crown passes to Prince Albert, the only son of Leopold's brother, the late Phillippe, Count of Flanders. The new monarch was born April 8, 1875, and on Oct. 2, 1900, married Princess Elizabeth of Bavaria. They have three children, Prince Leopold, eight years of age; Prince Charles, six years old, and Princess Marie-Jose, who was born on Aug. 4, 1906.

Prince Albert is one of the most popular members of the reigning house of Belgium. His wife is equally popular, their home life being such as to attract the admiration and love of the people. Prince Albert has traveled extensively and is a man of affairs. In appearance he is strikingly like the late king, but their dispositions and temperaments have always been in marked contrast. Prince Albert has been a great student of politics and economics and has frequently lectured on these subjects in public. To broaden his grasp of the affairs of the world, he visited the United States and other countries, always studying and always adding to his store of knowledge and philosophy.

There is another side to the new king which appeals to popular fancy. He dearly loves clean and healthy sport. He is an accomplished horseman, enjoys motoring and has taken a flight or two in a dirigible balloon.

In his intercourse with others he is most gracious. His frank, good natured face bespeaks intelligence and invites confidence. Democratic in his tastes and manners, he is, nevertheless, a man of firm decision and kingly dignity.

While always conspicuous before the public on account of the nature of his private life, particularly in recent years, King Leopold latterly had much of the world against him on account of his attitude towards the Congo Independent State. His greatest interest lay in the development of that country, for he was practically the founder of it and was its ruling sovereign. The Congo Free State in western Africa was recognized and defined by the conference of European powers at Berlin in 1885. It was the successor of the International African association, established by Leopold and organized by Stanley. In that year Leopold was constituted its ruler. By will, dated Aug. 2, 1889, he bequeathed to Belgium the right to annex the Congo State after a period of ten years. The conduct of the government of that state resulted in a fierce dispute of world wide dimensions and a demand that a concert of European powers interpose in the alleged interest of humanity. On Nov. 15, 1908, Belgium formally assumed control of the state, and since then efforts at reform have been inaugurated, but not carried out in an entirely satisfactory manner.

Criticisms against King Leopold in this matter are said to have shattered the buoyant spirits of the sovereign, although it was only in private that he gave expression to these feelings. He was proud of the work that had been accomplished in that territory and at Antwerp made a remarkable speech in which he said the annexation of the Congo Independent state was the greatest satisfaction of his life. He declared that Congo would play a most important part in the expansion of Belgium. It was because of his wholesouled interest in the development of the Congo in connection with the progress of Belgium that his own people in a measure overlooked the atrocities which were alleged against him.

King Leopold was regarded as one of the shrewdest and ablest men of the times. He was essentially a man of business, cold, reticent and calculating. He was of particularly independent spirit, and more than once is said to have told other sovereigns who attempted to advise him in connection with his private affairs to mind their own business. For this reason he became estranged from many of the courts of Europe.

Baroness Vaughan, who is said to have been the king's morganatic wife, occupied a chateau close to the pavilon where Leopold died. She is the daughter of parents of the name of Delacroix, who were concierges, or janitors, first at Liege and afterwards in Paris. Her mother is dead and her father is an inmate of an asylum for the insane. She is the mother of two children.

King Leopold spent a great deal of his time with the baroness, and gave his ministers much concern on this account. At one time there was talk of his abdication, but, as months went by, his subjects apparently became accustomed to his ways, and abdication became a thing of the past.

King Leopold's recent illness dated from about two weeks ago when he was compelled to take to his bed, suffering with rheumatism. It was thought at the time that he had a stroke of apoplexy, for he was paralyzed on one side, and the paralysis seemingly spread over his entire body. His confinement brought about intestinal obstruction, for which an operation was performed on Tuesday, and it was feared then that his age would prevent ultimate recovery.

One of the most powerful men in Belgium, who knows King Leopold better than any other man, is Senator Winer, the king's trusted friend and confidential legal adviser. He assisted Leopold in drawing up the Congo project, and probably will manage the disposition of the king's fortune.

Senator Winer welcomed The Associated Press correspondent most cordially last night, some hours before the king's death, as he stood in the library of his home, a stone's throw from the American legation. He pictured the king's great admiration for the United States, which his majesty was anxious to visit but was prevented from doing by the Congo criticism. However, the king prevailed on Prince Albert to go, because he considered this a most useful preparation for the future ruler of Belgium.

The king had a marked respect for Theodore Roosevelt. He never liked photographs around, but placed President Roosevelt's autograph pictures in his favorite office in the Brussels palace, beside those of Princess Clementine and Prince Albert.

The senator went on:

"The king is a slave to work and business. It is a fact that 15 minutes before the operation, he dictated documents relating to certain negotiations, and insisted before going under chloroform upon correcting the typewritten sheets. It was this marvelous intellect and doggedness which conceived the Congo project. He lost money at first but emerged rich.

"The whole trouble in the Congo," Senator Winer continued, "was that the system was bad—worse than the king thought. The eternal cry was 'Rubber, and yet more rubber'; and it must be remembered that the military commanders in the Congo had the double capacity of soldier and merchant; they had to get rubber. Nevertheless, many of the stories of abuse are absolutely untrue."

The senator championship King Leopold as the great benefactor of Belgium. He had developed cities and erected monuments and public buildings at his own expense. He had supported architecture and advanced the prosperity of the people. The senator did not care to say much of the king's private life. Perhaps, he suggested, the king had not been a good father, but his character in later life was explained by the fact that in youth he was held in check and ruled with a rod of iron by the old king. The stories of the king's gallantries, he added, had been absurdly exaggerated.

Sentiment in Brussels has taken a new turn, and the people are heatedly occupied with the question of the position of Baroness Vaughan in the royal household, as the result of a sensational article published in the Soir. The paper charges that Baroness Vaughan was constantly at the bedside of the king, even being present when Extreme Unction was administered, whereas the king's daughters and his nephew were not admitted. The question was put by the Soir to Monsignor Cooreman, the venerable royal chaplain, if the king married Baroness Vaughan according to the provisions of the religious ceremony, adding that all Belgium was astonished and scandalized that the church would sanction the presence of the woman near the king's couch while the priest was busied with his sacred mission.

The chaplain intimated that the marriage exists and said that his conscience was clear about the visit to the king. The church's code of morals, he added, was the same for the king as for the people and, in conclusion, he said:

"From the standpoint of the church, the king's situation is regular."

KING'S DEATH

CAME AS SHOCK TO PEOPLE OF LONDON

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Although in view of his advanced age there was little expectation of ultimate recovery, the news of King Leopold's death came as a shock in its unexpectedness, all the latest reports from Brussels having had a hopeful air of possible recovery. This possibility was strongly reflected on the stock exchange yesterday in the firmness of American and South African securities in which it is believed Leopold had large holdings, and there is little doubt that today will witness a corresponding depression, in anticipation of the probability that large blocks of securities will be thrown on the market when the time comes to realize on the king's estate.

The word of the king's death reached London too late for anything but a bare mention in second editions of the morning papers. The despatches from Brussels concerned mostly reports that Leopold was secretly married to Baroness Vaughan, it being taken for granted that an immediate fatal issue was unlikely. At the same time considerable comment was aroused by the laconic character of the official bulletins and the general air of secrecy which was maintained on the technical side regarding the king's illness.

No details were given out by the attending physicians which would enable a medical man, much less a layman, to form any opinion of the real nature of the malady, while rumors were not wanting that the operation was only partly carried out, the patient's extreme weakness compelling the surgeons hurriedly to curtail their work for fear of a collapse.

King Edward, through the legation at Brussels, made daily inquiries regarding King Leopold's condition and the reports which he received were quite as favorable as those given out to the public.

It is recalled that the report that the king and Baroness Vaughan had been morganatically married in 1906 was officially denied at the time and speculation is busy whether the alleged marriage was an actual death bed ceremony.

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This is about the hardest time (when everyone is interested in Christmas articles) **to attract their attention to the Cloak and Suit Department.**

In order to do so, we have made some slashing mark-downs in Suits and Coats.

Suits made of fine hard worsted and cheviots worth $19.50, for $13.50

$25.00 and $27.50 Suits for $19.50

$12.50 Long Coats for . . $7.75

Mixtures, also Plain Black, Odds and Ends of Coats . . $5.00

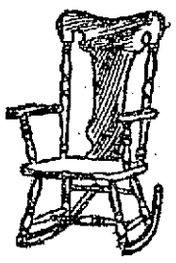
A few Coats in Mixtures at $2.98

Special
CLEARANCE SALE
Slaughtered Prices
On
FURNITURE
For Ten Days

We are overstocked. Our enormous stock which has been purchased at spot cash must be moved during this sale. Not one department in our store to escape this wonderful cut in prices. Parlor Stoves, Ranges, Sideboards, Dining Tables, Parlor Suits, Couches, Chiffoniers, Dressers, Iron and Brass Beds, Springs, Mattresses, etc., to be closed out at

50c on the Dollar

Fancy Rocker



Like illustration, made of solid oak, golden finish and polished. Sale price,

$1.98

Music Cabinets

Like illustration, finished in mahogany and polished. Has French plate mirror and sliding shelves. Sale price,

$6.95

Special cut prices in Art Squares, Rugs, Draperies, Lace Curtains, Pictures, Mirrors and Parlor Tables.

We defy all competition during this sale.

Sale Now Going On

BORNSTEIN & QUINN
The New Store
160-162 Middlesex St

Special Overcoat Sale

FOR ONE WEEK ONLY

Fifteen Dollar Overcoats

. . . AT . . .

TEN DOLLARS

There are seventy-nine Overcoats in the lot, Black Kersey, Oxford Grays, and Fancy Coatings, velvet collars with the roll lapel, cloth collars, in the military style—all new coats, the balance of our best selling numbers at fifteen dollars, only one or two of a style, but all sizes in the lot. We price them for one week only at - - - $10

Military Overcoats

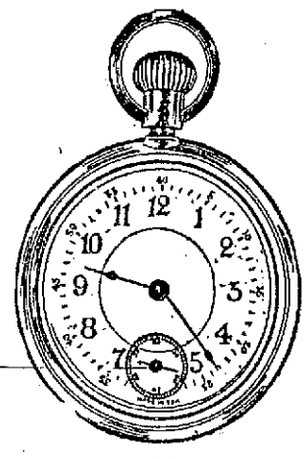
. . . AT . . .

Fifteen Dollars

Late delivery is responsible for the special price we name on five styles of Young Men's "Presto Collar" Overcoats. They are nobby Coats in the new gray fancy stripes and are worth more money, but to move them quickly we mark these late arrivals - - - - - - - - - $15

FINE OVERCOATS From "HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX"—the most fashionable Overcoats you can find; form fitting or box back, plain colors or the new gray stripes and plaids, new weaves and patterns. We've a great stock of them to show you, priced from..... $18 up to $32

If you need a Suit, here's your Time and Place and Your Real Economy of Quality—Any price from $10.00 up to $25.00.



Get a Christmas Present Free

For your BOY with every purchase of $5.00—in our Boys' Dept.

A handsome Open Face Watch with a nickel or gun metal case.

A fine Hard Wood Clipper Sled or a pair of Barney & Berry's All Clamp Skates.

Anyone of these articles will make an ideal present for your boy and you get it absolutely FREE.

SPECIAL PRICES this week on Boys' Long Overcoats in sizes 10 to 16 years.

The TALBOT CLOTHING CO.

THE STORE THAT'S LIGHT AS DAY

American House Block, Central Street, Corner Warren

CRUSHED TO DEATH

Man Killed in Elevator Accident in Providence

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 17.—Alexi Guilmette, 28, was caught and crushed to death between the wall of an elevator well and the lift itself in the R. L. Rose company's store late yesterday afternoon. The victim's body released, dropped to the foot of the well, some 20 feet. It is thought Guilmette looked out in passing the first floor and was caught and crushed before he could draw back. His head and chest were terribly crushed. He lived at 113 Summer street, Central Falls, was a baker by occupation and worked in the store where he was killed. He was going to work on the fifth floor at the time.

WE LOAN MONEY
FOR CHRISTMAS

$10 and upwards
COME TO US AND WE WILL HAND YOU
MONEY to enable you to get your Christmas gifts for your full list of friends.
MONEY for the Christmas decorations—the tree and all that makes the children happy.
MONEY for the Christmas Turkey.
MONEY to cloth yourself and family well and comfortable.
MONEY to meet unexpected emergencies and the hundred needs that are sure to arise.
Hundreds of satisfied customers, an ever increasing business and the fact that our old customers take pleasure in recommending us to their friends is proof not only that our treatment is the fairest but that we give you
The Lowest Rates—The Best Service—The Easiest Terms.
Open every evening until Christmas.
NATIONAL LOAN CO., 40 CENTRAL ST.
Marks Building—Phone 1934

BUST OF POPE

Was Presented to Bishop Walsh

ROME, Dec. 17.—Bishop Walsh of Portland, Me. left today for Franco where he will spend Christmas day. Before leaving he was presented by the pontiff with a bust of his holiness which is to become the possession of the Portland diocese.

INJURIES FATAL

Man Said Good Bye to His Mates

MADISON, Me., Dec. 17.—Saying "Good-bye, boys" to his fellow employes in the paper mill of the Hollingswell & Whitney company when he realized his fate, James Perkins, aged 23, was drawn through a nine-inch space by a shaft on which his clothing had caught and was so severely injured that he died today. He leaves a wife and one child.

Portable gas lamps. Welch Bros.

THE LEGISLATURE

TAKES A HAND IN THE SYDNEY STRIKE

SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 17.—Business has been so demoralized by the coal strike that the legislature today took the drastic step of passing a bill rendering both strike leaders and employers who instigate or aid a strike or lockout liable to a year's imprisonment.

THE PILGRIM MONUMENT

PROVINCETOWN, Dec. 17.—The Pilgrim monument on Town hill where at the laying of the cornerstone on Aug. 10, 1907, President Roosevelt shook the financial centres of the country with a scathing speech, is completed and waits its dedication at the hands of President Taft. The exercises are expected to be held next August and President Taft has already signified his willingness to slip across Massachusetts bay from his summer home in Beverly. It is also planned to have President Emeritus Eliot of Harvard deliver the historical address. The tall beacon is now one of the most prominent landmarks on Cape Cod.

The Thompson Hardware Co. suggests for a good sensible present, a good carving knife and fork; nothing better.

BEDRIDDEN WITH ECZEMA SIX WEEKS

Itching, Burning Eruption from Head to Foot—Doctor Gave Her Up Entirely—First Application of Cuticura Brought Relief and Sleep.

CUTICURA REMEDIES EFFECT PERFECT CURE

"Four years ago I suffered severely with a terrible eczema, being a mass of sores from head to feet and for six weeks confined to my bed. During that time I suffered continual torture from itching and burning. After being given up by my doctor I was advised to try the Cuticura Remedies. After the first bath with Cuticura Soap and application of Cuticura Ointment I enjoyed the first good sleep during my entire illness. I also used Cuticura Resolvent and the treatment was continued for about three weeks. At the end of that time I was able to be about the house, entirely cured, and have felt no ill effects since. I would advise any person suffering from any form of skin trouble to try the Cuticura Remedies as I know what they did for me. Mrs. Edward Nenning, 203 Main St., Watertown, N. Y., April 11, 1909."

Cuticura Soap

Soothing, Cooling, Refreshing for Tender Skins.

Because of its delicate, emollient, ranative, antiseptic properties derived from Cuticura, united with the purest of saponaceous ingredients and most refreshing of flower odors, Cuticura Soap is unrivalled for cleansing, preserving and purifying the skin, scalp, hair and hands, for dispelling itching, irritation and inflammation and preventing clogging of the pores, the cause of many disfiguring facial eruptions. All who delight in a clear skin, soft, white hands, a clean, wholesome scalp and live, glossy hair, will find that Cuticura Soap realizes every expectation.

Cuticura Soap (25c.), Cuticura Ointment (50c.) and Cuticura Resolvent (50c.), (or in the form of Chocolate Coated Pills, 25c. per vial of 60) are sold throughout the world. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Sole Props., 135 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass.

32-page Cuticura Book, mailed free, giving description, treatment and cure of skin affections.

COAL, WOOD and COKE

The best that money can buy at rock bottom prices. Remember I will not be undersold. Telephone your orders here where your trade will be appreciated. Mail and telephone orders will receive immediate attention.

John P. Quinn

Office and Yards Gorham and Dix Sts.

Telephone 1180 or 2480; if one is busy call the other.

Gifts for Men

Suggesting a few of many pleasing and appropriate gifts to be found in our store. Of the following we have a most complete selection:

Shaving Sets

Our selection of Shaving Sets is most complete this year. Plain and fancy styles. Cup and brush only in case and complete sets, $2.50 to $12.00

Smokers' Stands

A most practical article for a man. Complete Smoking Sets on a stand, which can be moved from place to place. Made in Silver, Brass, Bronze, etc., $3.00 to $15.00

Traveling Sets

Brush, Comb and other toilet and Manicure pieces in beautiful compact leather roll. Finest quality, genuine ebony brushes and well made, serviceable rolls, $3.00 to $15.00

THE HOME OF QUALITY

Frank Ricard

STATE ARMORY

Scene of Boxing and Wrestling Bouts

The state armory in Westford street was the scene of a very pleasant gathering last evening. The occasion was an informal smoker and field supper by Company G.

After the close of the drill period at 9 o'clock the men adjourned to the mess hall and enjoyed a menu of cold meats, baked beans, crackers and cheese, coffee, etc. At the conclusion of the supper the members of the company and their guests witnessed the rest of the entertainment in the company rooms.

There were three boxing and two wrestling bouts. The boxing bouts were between Private O'Brien and Corp. Hanahan, Corp. Keeler and Private Reardon, and Privates Scoble and McLellan.

The first wrestling bout was between Private O'Brien and Corp. Hanahan. They went seven minutes, when O'Brien got a winning hold on his superior officer and secured a fall. The second match was between Private Brick and Artificer Hudson. After ten minutes of hard work O'Brien secured a fall and was declared the winner.

Sergt. Cornelius Barnes was referee for the various athletic events, and Privates Barnes and Crowell were the timers.

Then there was singing by individuals and by the company, with Private Hurd at the piano. Capt. Walter R. Jeyes was the director of the program, and the affair was under the auspices of the following committee: First Lieut. Doyle, Second Lieut. Mottram, Sergt. C. Barnes, Corp. Church, Corp. Hudson.

MONTHLY MEETING

OF THE PAIGE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

The monthly meeting and social of the Paige Street Free Baptist church was held last night. Supper was served during the early part of the evening, after which an entertainment program was carried out. The first number was a dialogue entitled "That Postal Card," a very laughable one act sketch, dwelling on village gossip in a country town. The cast in this sketch included: Mrs. Grace Donaldson, Miss Georgia Libby, Miss Viola Marshall and Mr. W. A. Chase.

Another very catchy sketch was given, entitled "The Old Aunt's Visit to the City." Those who took part in this were Miss Mildred Chapman, Miss Florence Knowlton, Miss Belle Libby and Miss Lu Berry. Other numbers on the program were piano solos by Miss Edith Saunders, and songs by Mrs. N. S. Phillips.

The women having charge of the supper were: Mrs. Fred Bascom, chairman, assisted by Mrs. B. R. Harris, Mrs. W. H. Upham, Mrs. Fred Munn, Mrs. French, Mrs. Milton Daggett, Mrs. S. G. Pillsbury, Mrs. W. H. Cross, Mrs. Grace Donaldson and Mrs. W. A. Chase.

NORTH CHELMSFORD

Last night in the lower town hall a whist party was held by the members of the North Chelmsford fire department. Promptly at 8.30 o'clock progressive whist was started, 18 tables being used, and continued until 10 o'clock. After whist, coffee and cake were served by the members. The following prizes were awarded: first prize for the highest number of points scored went to J. W. Whiteworth, a traveling bag, donated by Macartney's Clothing Co.; lady's first prize, Mrs. Lavelle, toilet set, donated by the members of the fire department; first gentleman's prize, umbrella, Samuel Ogley, donated by the Merrimack Clothing Co.; lady's second prize, Mrs. Alice Miner, cuff links, donated by the Talbot Clothing Co.; gentleman's second prize, John Finnegan, electric hair brush, donated by Goodale's Drug Co.; lady's booby prize, Mrs. Sadie Potter; gent's booby prize, Mr. McNichols. The committee in charge was James Leahey, chairman; James Gookin, Henry Miner, assistants; Fred Gaudette, secretary, and James Kershaw, treasurer.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned wishes to express his sincere thanks to his many friends and neighbors for their acts of kindness, words of condolence and floral offerings, during the illness and on the death of his beloved wife, Elizabeth Buzzell.

(Signed) D. J. Buzzell.

Have you seen those brass finger bowls at the Thompson Hardware Co.'s? Just the thing for a unique Christmas present.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

Lowell, Friday, December 17, 1909.

A. G. Pollard Company

LOWELL'S BIGGEST AND BEST CHRISTMAS STORE

Don't Wait for Next Week's Crush

Get your shopping over with today and tomorrow and then you can enjoy the crowds that are sure to be here next week. Lowell or vicinity never saw a better Xmas store than we have made this one—not only for its holiday decorations, its immense stock of Gift Things and its cheerful salespeople, but there are values here such as we've never been able to offer at previous seasons. Your money will "go further" at this store than at any other. Still, don't delay, for even the largest assortment suffers from heavy buying. Red Cross Stamps cost but a penny, and the whole penny goes into the greatest of health funds—that of the Anti-Tuberculosis League. Every little helps in stamping out this disease.

Kid Gloves? YES, FOR EVERY WOMAN

We claim to have the very best gloves that you can buy for the money. Gloves that are bound to give the worth of satisfaction which you have been taught to expect from this store. This is an unusually good year to buy kid gloves, for with the advent of the new tariff, gloves such as we offer for a dollar, are liable to be marked a full third more. While we've so planned that we can take care of all who may come for Glove Gifts between now and Christmas, it will be more comfortable for you today.

One Woman's Bathrobe Costing—?

The query goes down on dozens of Christmas lists. Good gifts for invalids, mothers, daughters, sisters and grandmothers.

Blanket Robes, dark and light, wooly, soft and trimmed with satin, are .....$3.98 Today

For That Sweater THAT IS ON YOUR LIST

Come to our ladies' department and select your sweater as our assortment is very large, low and high neck sweaters, in all colors, ranging in price from 98c to $8.50

Christmas Petticoats

AT 98c

One Nearsilk Petticoat tucked in a nice Christmas box with a very full and embroidered flounce.

AT $1.98

One Heatherbloom Petticoat, made with very handsome embroidered flounce and packed in a beautiful Christmas box.

Ladies' Dept. Second Floor.

Ladies' Gloves For $1 a Pair

Kid Gloves, one or two clasps in brown, mode, tan, pearl, gray, red, green, blues, black and white, one or two clasps .....$1.00 a Pair

Pique Sewn Gloves, in black, tan, green, blues, black and white, one colored stitching .....$1.00 a Pair

One Clasp Heavy Cape Gloves, in all the good shades of tan, $1.00 a Pair

One Clasp Chamois Gloves, in white or natural shades, $1.00 a Pair

One Clasp Mocha Gloves, in gray and brown .....$1.00 a Pair

Also a large selection of Gloves for the very little folks, pique sewn, in the different shades of tan, at $1.00 a Pair

Children's Wool Lined Mochas, in brown and gray, at.....$1.00 a Pair

Ladies' Gloves For $1.25 a Pair

Kid Gloves, with Paris point embroidery, in all the popular shades of tan and gray, at ....$1.25 a Pair

Pique Sewn Gloves, with heavy three row embroidery, black, white, tan and green, at.....$1.25 a Pair

Ladies' Gloves For $1.50 a Pair

Real Kid Gloves, in all the different shades of tans and grays, fancy or plain stitching, 2 or 3 clasps, $1.50 a Pair

Two Clasp Real Kid Pique Gloves, in black, white, mode, tan, brown and gray, at $1.50

Heavy Cape Gloves, one clasp, in tan or gray, at .....$1.50 a Pair

Mochas in gray and brown, one clasp, silk lined .....$1.50 a Pair

An Appropriate Glove Box Goes With Each Pair of Gloves at $1.00 and Over

WEST SECTION NORTH AISLE

Umbrellas

This is an Umbrella year; so if you've made up your mind—or haven't yet—it's time to be about the buying. Choose here from nearly 2000 from the newest styles in wood, horn, ivory, plain and mounted handles—and cloths that we warrant to give absolute satisfaction—for wear and for looks.

Ladies' Umbrellas .....98c to $12.50

Men's Umbrellas .....98c to $15.00

Children's Umbrellas, 20, 22 and 24 inches at ..50c, 75c, 98c and $1.50

West Section Centre Aisle

Stationery

A hundred varieties of children's stationery, at from...10c to 50c Box

One Quire Holiday Boxes, from 19c Upwards

Fancy Boxes with linen paper at 50c, 59c, 65c and 75c

Cabinet Boxes 3, 3 and 4 tiers, 59c, 89c and $1.25

Elaborate Boxes, filled with the highest grade of paper, from $1.50 to $3.50

A full showing of seals, cards, tags, etc.

West Section North Aisle

Dolls

Bought that Doll yet?

Time to be about it—this collection is by far the largest we've ever had to offer you. The "Most Beautifullest" dollies ever seen in Lowell. Not high in price either.

Dressed dolls.....25c to $5.00

A special at $1.50, with the newest Parisian costume and millinery.

Undressed Dolls, all prices up to $3.50

Rag Dollies at 25c, 39c, 50c and 75c

Palmer St. Centre Aisle

Toys

A little more practical than the simply-to-entertain sort.

Flexible Flyers, the sled that steers .....$2.50 to $4.50

New Flyers—they steer too— $1.50 to $2.75

Wagons, 50c, $1.00, $1.50. $1.75, $2.98, $3.75 and $3.98.

Wheelbarrows, 25c, 50c, 75c and $1

Boys' Sleds, 33c, 49c, 59c, 69c, 39c, 98c, $1.25, $1.50 and $1.69.

Girls' Sleds, 50c, 69c, 79c, 98c, $1.25 and $1.38.

Baby Sleighs .....$3.98 to $6.25

Sled Boxes, fit on top of sleds, $2.00

Dolls' Go Carts. ..25c, 50c to $2.69

Shooflies.....79c, $1.10 and $1.69

Merrimack St. Basement

Boys' Clothing

Stirring Gift Values for the Attention of Thrifty Parents

Russian and Reefer Coats, for boys of 3 to 12 years, made plain color cloth and fancy Scotch mixture, made with trimming, serge and flannel lined, $3.00 value, at $1.98 Each

Boys' Reefer and Russian Coats, made in the latest design, velvet collar, sleeve emblem, serge and flannel lined, $4.00 value, at $2.98

Reefer and Russian Overcoats, made of the latest cloth in the new shades of brown and green. Fine serge and wool flannel lining. Silk velvet collars, $5.00 value, at $3.98 Each

We are offering very good value in Russian and Reefer Coats, made of best quality of material, in the very latest cut, best of trimming used in this garment sold in clothing stores, from $6.50 to $8.00, at $4.98 Each

SUBWAY

Boys' Auto Coat for bigger boys, made in latest design, automobile collar and cuffs. Made of heavy wool mixture and heavy lining. Coats worth $5.00, $7.50, at $3.49, $4.98 and $5.98

Boys' Russian Suits, made of fine worsted and serge, nicely trimmed with braid, fancy buttons, leather belts, and best of lining, military and sailor collars. Extra good values at $2.98, $3.98 and $4.98.

Suits worth from $3.50 to $7.50.

Our line of Boys' Knee Pants is the most complete; our price lower than usually sold for and quality a little better.

Knickerbocker Pants, cheviots and wool mixture .....50c Pair

Corduroy Pants, knickerbocker pant .....59c Pair

Knickerbocker Pants, and of good wool cloth and worsted, $1.00 value, 75c Pair

BASEMENT

OUR Underprice Basement

The Place Where Useful Gifts May Be Bought at Economical Prices—The Following Are Exceptional

Ladies' Handkerchiefs, plain white checks, embroidered initial and colored. All hemstitched; 10c value, useful at .....5c each or 6 for 25c

Ladies' All Linen Handkerchiefs, and embroidered, with narrow hemstitch, 12½c value. Useful gift at 9c, 3 for 25c

A nice fancy box with every 25c worth of handkerchiefs.

Ladies' White Lawn and Fine Batiste Waists, nicely trimmed, with fine laces and embroidery. Useful gift, $1.25 value, at .....98c Each

Ladies' Black Skirts, made of fine black mercerized and well trimmed with ruffles and hemstitched, $1.00 value. Useful gift at .....85c Each

Ladies' White Aprons, samples, very slightly soiled, 75c to $1.00 value. Useful gift at ....45c Each

Wool Blankets, for single or double bed, white, gray and red, part wool and all wool. Useful gift from $2.50 to $15.00 Pair

Cotton Puffs, silkoline and sateen covering. Useful gift from $2.50 to $3.50

Wool Puffs, cambric covering. Useful gift from .....$4.00 to $12.00

Bed Spreads, hemmed and fringe. Useful gift from .....$1.25 to $10.00

PALMER STREET BASEMENT

A SPOTLESS TOWN

What Mayor-Elect Howard Purposes to Do

Mayor of Salem Will Give His Pay to the Playgrounds of His City—Will Remove the License Commissioners and Publish All Bills Against the City

Mayor-elect Arthur P. Howard of Salem promises reform. His platform was built of huge planks, which spelled this one word.

He will not be a candidate for reelection. He will give his salary to the playgrounds of the city. He will remove all three members of the license board. He will publish all bills before they are paid. He will make city hall employes work eight hours every day. He will invite the aldermen-elect to submit to him a list of names of men who, in their opinion, are eligible for the office of city marshal. He will appoint his man from this list. If, at any time, two aldermen prefer charges against the marshal, he will remove him. He will see that the no-license laws are enforced to the letter.

These, in substance, are the things that Mayor-elect Howard, a one year resident, is going to accomplish in the Puritan City.

His Illustrious Ancestry

Arthur Howard was born in Brevoort place, Washington square, New York city, 40 years ago. His father, John Platt Howard, died Monday. He was president of the jewelry house, Howard & Co., on Fifth avenue, New York. Mr. Howard's mother came from Nantucket and was descended from one of the original settlers of that island.

Mr. Howard's paternal grandfather, Dr. Joseph Howard, was born in Salem in 1807, and was a schoolmate of Nathaniel Hawthorne. His great-great-grandfather was Joseph Howard, an old shipping merchant, born in Salem, in 1780, while another ancestor, John Howard, served in both the army and navy in the Revolutionary war. He founded the Salem Insurance company, and was an original subscriber to the leveling of the Common. He served in the general court and was selectman for three years. He organized the Salem Charitable Mechanic association and was its first president. Howard street was named after him.

His father, Abraham Howard, a merchant of London, was descended from the Duke of Norfolk and Premier Duke of England. This gives the mayor-elect an ancestry which represents not only one of the best families in Salem, but one of the most noted families of England.

Schoolmates Wealthy

Mayor-elect Howard was educated in a private school in New York. Among his classmates were four sons of Jay Gould and a son of John D. Rockefeller, also sons of Frederic R. Coudert and Joseph Lerogue, C. P. Huntington and other scions of prominent New York families.

At the age of 23 Mr. Howard married Miss Annie Legg. He was in business in New York and London, and in the panic of 1907 met with reverses.

He is something of an author. He has written 15 books as follows: "Shakespeare for the Unsophisticated," of which 40,000 copies have been sold; "Grandmother's Cook Book," 16,000; "The X Y Z of Wall street," 12,000 copies; "Animals That I Have Met," "The Girl from Boston," "The Diamond Heart," "Raising the Dickens" and other books of a humorous nature.

The death of Joseph Howard, Jr., the well known writer, brought Mr. Howard to Boston. He was anxious to assume his cousin's duties as correspondent for a Boston newspaper. While awaiting a decision he journeyed to Salem and conceived the idea of starting a newspaper, there being only one in Salem at the time. He started the Salem Dispatch on Oct. 24, 1908.

In Jail Three Days

The policy of the paper was to show alleged graft in city hall. Among those who were assailed was Alderman Michael J. Doyle, who failed of reelection Tuesday, after nine consecutive terms. On July 10 Mr. Doyle made a complaint against Mr. Howard, charging criminal libel. The case was called and continued, Mr. Howard staying three days in Salem jail awaiting bail. During that time he edited his paper in cell 45 and 30 persons volunteered to bail him out, but he refused. When the case was called, he was bound over to the grand jury, Daniel T. Hagerty, a liquor seller, going on his bond.

Mr. Howard continued his attacks on city officials. On Oct. 14 he was arrested on a charge of criminal libel, the complaint this time being filed by Robin Damon, a Salem newspaper publisher. Just before this case came up at the October sitting of the superior court at Lawrence, Howard published something about the McSweeney brothers, one of whom, William H., ran second to Howard in the mayoralty contest. Patrick A., the older one, it is alleged, assaulted Howard and disabled him so that he had to go away for a week.

When the Doyle and Damon cases were called, they were continued until the January term. Howard is now out on bail, which has been furnished by William T. Sanborn, Clarence R. Taylor and Daniel T. Hagerty, all of Salem.

In Tuesday's election Howard received the smallest vote that any successful aspirant of recent years has ever received. It is thought that Herman F. Curtis, Jr., will be his secretary, and former Alderman G. Lincoln Allen will be a strong candidate for the city marshalship.

When—

The Stomach is Sick
The Liver Sluggish
The Bowels Clogged
The Blood Impure
The Skin Sallow

Then—*It's Time to Take*

That grand, old, time-tested remedy—

BEECHAM'S PILLS

In boxes with full directions, 10c. and 25c.

THE CRIME PAGE

IDEA BROACHED BY MRS. FISK INDORSED BY WOMEN'S CLUBS

Placing all the crime in a newspaper on one page was the idea presented to the Federation of Women's clubs in annual session in Rochester, N. Y., by Mrs. A. C. Fisk, newspaper and magazine writer.

The federation after Mrs. Fisk's address adopted resolutions in favor of the plan, which if adopted by newspapers would allow subscribers to tear out the crime page of the paper before their children could read of the murders, robberies, elopements, divorces and other too frank adult doings.

"I have talked with proprietors of the largest papers from the Pacific coast to Rochester," said Mrs. Fisk, "and they are perfectly willing to segregate crime in their issues if the people want it served that way."

ALLEGE UNJUST TREATMENT

MONTREAL, Dec. 17.—The local municipal authorities have asked the Dominion immigration department to look into the case of Andre Lavigne and William Robley, both of whom allege unjust treatment on the part of the American immigration agents. Lavigne was born in Quebec is 62 years old and has lived in Woonsocket, R. I. and St. Albans, Vt. for 49 years. He declares he was shipped out of the states as an undesirable alien. Robley has been a citizen in Boston for several years and alleges that he was returned to Canada as undesirable after his release from an insane asylum. The local authorities claim indigent persons are sent back into Canada from the states after having spent the greater part of their lives there.

ECZEMA READILY CURED BY A SIMPLE HOME TREATMENT

A simple clean remedy that can be used in the home is what every person desires who is suffering from eczema. You can now have that remedy and get instant relief, and be cured permanently by ZEMO, a clean vegetable liquid for external use. ZEMO cures skin diseases by drawing the germs and their poisons, that cause the disease, to the surface of the skin and destroying them, leaving the skin clean and healthy. A. W. Dows & Co., the druggists, will give you a booklet and a sample bottle of ZEMO and will explain to you how a great many cases of eczema and other forms of skin diseases have been cured by this simple home treatment. For sale by A. W. Dows & Co., leading druggists.

OLD TIME XMAS

As Described by Several Aged People

The Christmas of today and the Christmas of long ago are as far apart in the order of festivity as they are in years.

One woman, speaking of the Christmas of 80 years ago, said:

"Why, we didn't have any Christmas. That is, we had a holiday from school and an extra good dinner. We also made it a point of calling out a cheery 'good morning' to everyone we met, but other than that there was no celebration."

One old lady said that Christmas to her meant an extra pumpkin pie or two and maybe, if the day was fine, a sleigh ride to her grandmother's, who lived some miles away in Topsfield. At her grandmother's she was sure to find several uncles and aunts, with the usual supply of youngsters and while the elders sat about the huge fireplace and ate apples and drank mulled cider, the children played out of doors in the snow and thought they were having the time of their lives.

The Christmas dinner table was always set in the kitchen, a long, low room with blackened rafters overhead and strings of onions, apples and popcorn hanging from the ceiling.

The dinner consisted of roasted chicken, huge roasts of beef and sides of ham with plenty of vegetables, apples and cider.

There were no gifts exchanged at that time and the day was celebrated more after the fashion in which we celebrate Thanksgiving.

An elderly man, whose home was in the northern part of New Hampshire 70 years ago, told a tale of the desolation of his young Christmases that was pitiful.

He was one of 13 children, and the homestead was so tiny there was scarcely room for the youngsters and their parents. At all times it was hard work to get enough for the brood to eat and when Christmas came it was a gloomy day. The nearest store was 15 miles away, and the nearest neighbor five, so the prospects of sociability were lacking.

Sometimes they would have a good old New England boiled dinner for Christmas and sometimes even that luxury was lacking.

Two of the children today are living and both are worth a great deal of money, and when they meet and talk over old times and compare their Christmases of long ago with those of today, the comparison is doubtful.

Another old lady said that Christmas to her in olden times meant added work and the coming of disagreeable relatives who found fault with her patchwork and were horrified at her lack of industry in other directions.

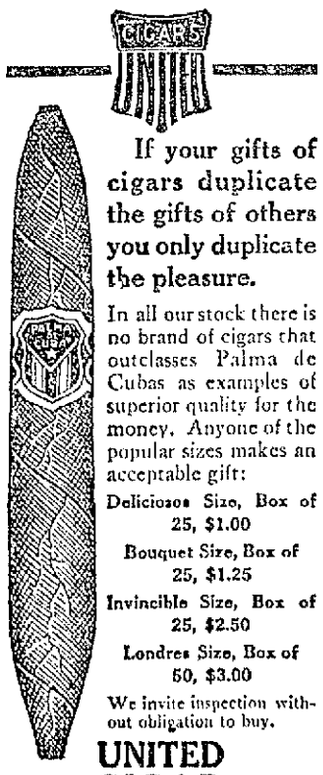
A big roasted goose was always the feature of her Christmas dinner, and a box from the only rich relative in New York containing silk goods and a dress pattern for her mother, a $10 gold piece for her father and a book apiece for the children was the Christmas she knew. That was the extent of the Christmas presents of her youth and she stated that the arrival of this one box was the annual event in the village.

The children of today evidently fare much better than did the youths of those times, but it is a deep and deadly question at the present moment whether the customs of these times are an improvement upon those of the century before us.

There are those who feel that Christmas giving has today taken upon itself such astounding proportions that the real significance of the day is utterly lost. The children, however, do revel in the prospect of the holiday and enjoy it to the utmost.

DYNAMITED BANK'S VAULT

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 17.—Robbers dynamited the vault of the bank of Exeter near here and secured $7000 in cash early yesterday.



If your gifts of cigars duplicate the gifts of others you only duplicate the pleasure.

In all our stock there is no brand of cigars that outclasses Palma de Cubas as examples of superior quality for the money. Anyone of the popular sizes makes an acceptable gift:

Deliciozos Size, Box of 25, $1.00

Bouquet Size, Box of 25, $1.25

Invincible Size, Box of 25, $2.50

Londres Size, Box of 50, $3.00

We invite inspection without obligation to buy.

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GET YOUR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

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We are the New Store in Lowell and are "chuck" full of good things for Xmas. Our merchandise is positively guaranteed and the assortment immense.

Armlets
Bags
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House Coats
Horse Blankets
Indian Suits
Jewelry

Knit Goods
Laundry Bags
Mittens
Mufflers
Neckwear
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Rubber Coats
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For the very newest, best and largest assortment try

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THE NET GAIN

Made by John F. Meehan in Each Ward

The relative net gain, by wards, made by Hon. John F. Meehan, mayor elect was as follows:

Ward 1	348
Ward 2	277
Ward 3	292
Ward 4	279
Ward 5	177
Ward 6	188
Ward 7	419
Ward 8	267
Ward 9	314
Total	2546

BUTLER VETS

HOLD THE RECORD FOR MONSTER CONTESTS

Sixty years ago, July 4, 1849, the first general hand fire engine muster was held at Bath, Me., and the second at Ashland, Mass., Oct. 6 of that year. Every year since then, with the single exception of 1864, one or more have been held in New England and the largest of them was held at Lowell last year. Since 1887 they have been mostly veteran musters.

The season of 1909, which had a less number of musters than most of the recent muster seasons, was one of the most successful and satisfactory of any of them, says the Boston Herald expert. There were 15 general musters and a number of important contests during the season.

The Hancocks of Brockton, with prizes won aggregating $850, led the season's list of money winners, with the Fountains of South Hadley Falls second. Hancock made the best single record, 246 feet 5 inches, and the Fountain the best average. In the money prize winning list are found the Alabama Coon, standing 17th; the Enterprise of Brockton 27th, Washington of Brookville 31st, Protector of Brockton 34th and Columbia of Brockton 48th.

The Hancock of Brockton has won the most prize money at musters, over $9000. The Red Jacket of Cambridge is second with $6975, the Nonantum of Newton third with $6850, Protector of Brockton fourth with $4875.

The 60 best records made at muster contests for year include: City of Lowell first, 259 feet 6 1-2 inches; Hancock, 2d, 250 feet 1-4 inch, Protector of Brockton 8th, 247 feet 3 5-8 inches; Enterprise of Brockton 15th, 240 feet 1-2 inch; Alabama Coon, of Stoughton, 26th, 234 feet 10 inches.

HIGHWAY COMMISSION

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—A change has been made in the executive officers of the Massachusetts highway commission and the salary of $5000 paid to Secretary Austin B. Fletcher, who resigned, has been divided between Arthur W. Dean of Nashua, N. H., the newly appointed engineer of the board, and Frank Bieler of Boston, who was promoted from assistant secretary to the secretaryship.

GONE TO COSTA RICA

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Surgeon General Walter Wyman of the army sailed yesterday for Costa Rica to attend the fourth international sanitary conference which meets Christmas day at San Jose, and which will consider the sanitation of seaports with the idea of the elimination of yellow fever.

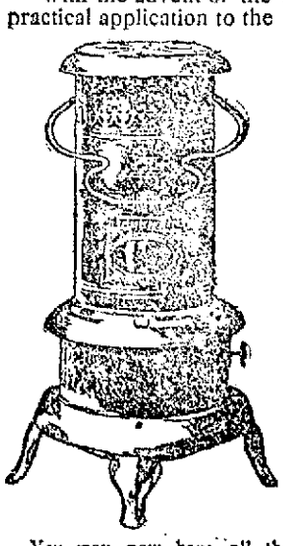
Senor Don Luis Anderson, minister from Costa Rica to this country, also sailed to spend Christmas with his family.

He will return to Washington after the holidays.

Smokeless

Until science discovered a way to construct the Automatic Smokeless Device, and make it completely dependable, all oil heaters had one common great fault—smoke.

With the advent of the Automatic Smokeless Device, and its practical application to the



PERFECTION Oil Heater

(Equipped with Smokeless Device)

the smoke problem was successfully solved.

The Perfection Oil Heater is the only heater equipped with this

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which insures a steady, full-glowing heat, with the wick turned up as high as it will go, without a shred of smoke. Reverse the motion, turn the wick down—there's no odor.

The smokeless device automatically locks and prevents the upward movement of the wick beyond the proper exposure. That is the secret. This splendid result gives leadership to the Perfection.

You may now have all the heat you want—when you want it—and where you want it—without the annoyance of smoke or odor.

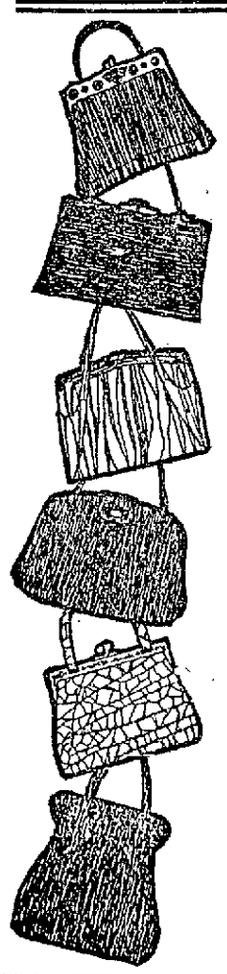
Brass font holds 4 quarts of oil, which permits a glowing heat for 9 hours. Brass wick tube—damper top—cool handle. Cleaned in a minute.

The Perfection is beautifully finished in Nickel or Japan.

Every Dealer Everywhere. If Not At Yours, Write for Descriptive Circular to the Nearest Agency of the

STANDARD OIL COMPANY
(Incorporated)

Devine's Christmas Sale



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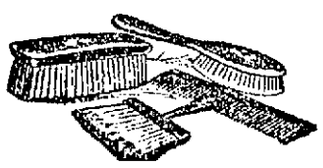
Traveling Bags
Suit Cases $1 to $20
Hand Bags
Umbrellas

Toilet Cases
Brushes
Flasks
Mirrors

It will pay you to see our line of Fitted Cases which contain all toilet articles and fittings. Fitted Cases from .....$2.00 to $20.00

WE HAVE THE EQUAL IF NOT BETTER THAN CAN BE FOUND IN THE METROPOLIS. YOU CAN SAVE ONE-FOURTH ON PRICE HERE, AND YOU GET THE HIGHEST GRADE GOODS



DEVINE'S TRUNK STORE

124 MERRIMACK STREET

Opening of the 26th
RIKER-JAYNES Drug Store

At 121-123 Merrimack Street, Lowell, Mass.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

FREE!

A Cup of Our

NEW PROCESS HOT CHOCOLATE

Or a Glass of Any Plain Cream

DELICIOUS PURE COLD SODA

In addition to the souvenir package of chocolates, to those who purchase 25c worth or more of any goods in the morning before 12 o'clock.

This is to encourage morning purchases, and with a due regard for the comfort of our patrons. If it is at all possible we ask you for your own sake and to assist us in caring for the throngs that will attend the opening to take advantage of this offer. Come early, enjoy a delicious soda and avoid the congestion that is sure to occur during the afternoon and evening.

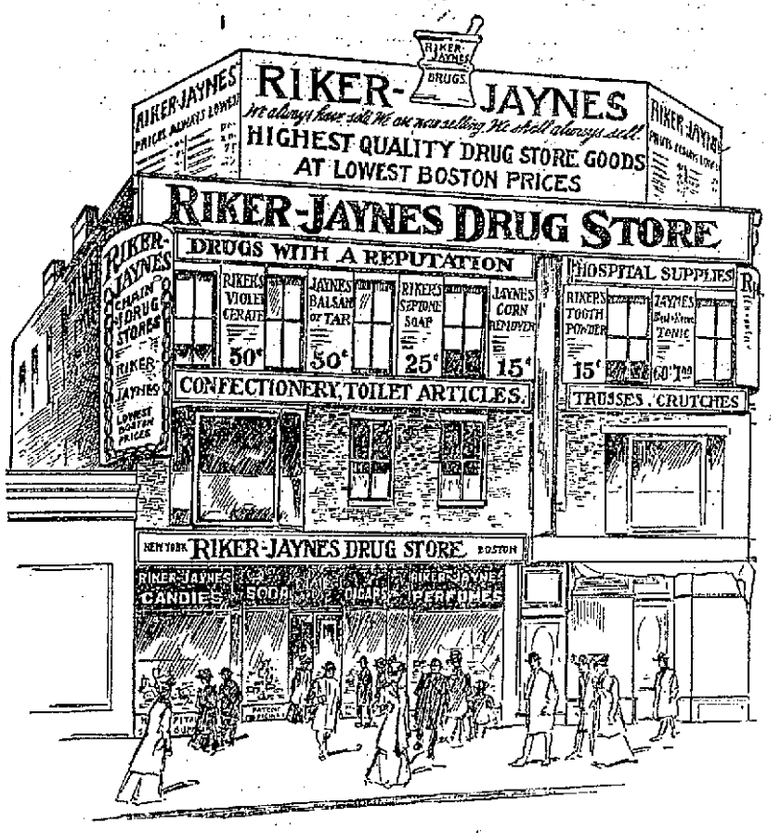
SPECIAL OFFER

As a further inducement for you to make a special effort and be present on the opening day we offer a

50c Bottle of Jaynes' Balsam Tar for
Or a 50c Jar of Riker's Violet Cerate for ... **25c**

These preparations are too well known to require any further detailing. Never before have they been offered at less than full price.

Only One to a Customer; none to Dealers.



THE name of Riker-Jaynes is not new to the Lowell public. Many, many Lowell residents have for years been trading at our Boston stores. This new modern store in Lowell will be conducted according to the same plan, and will live up to the traditions that the name of Riker-Jaynes implies. A high standard of efficient service, the highest quality of goods and a big saving in prices, which we are able to effect by reason of our large purchases, will merit your continued and liberal patronage.

FREE!

With Every Purchase of Goods Amounting to 25c or More At Any Counter

A FULL 1-4 POUND SOUVENIR BOX OF OUR EXCELLO HIGH GRADE CHOCOLATES

We firmly believe that even the souvenir we give away should bear the stamp of quality, and with this in mind as well as the loyalty to our established reputation, we have selected a souvenir package of chocolates that for quality and deliciousness are unexcelled. We are sure you will appreciate it.

ADDITIONAL SOUVENIRS

1. To every lady purchasing 25c worth or more of any goods at the toilet goods or rubber goods counters will be presented a cake of **HOWARD'S TRUE VIOLET SOAP** in addition to the quarter pound box of Excello Chocolates.

2. To every gentleman purchasing 25c worth or more of cigars or any smokers' articles, will be presented with a **10c DIADONA CIGAR** in addition to the quarter pound box of Excello Chocolates.

25c VALUES,

16c and Less

TOILET GOODS

25c Resinol Soap 16c
25c Frostilla 16c
25c Allen's Footease....16c
25c Mennen's Talcum Powder....16c
25c Comfort Powder 15c
25c Bathasweet Bath Powder....16c
25c Hood's Cologne....15c
25c Calox Tooth Powder....16c
25c Brown's Camphorated Dentifrice 15c
25c Dentacura 16c
25c Hood's Tooth Powder....15c
25c Kolynos Tooth Paste....16c
25c Lyon's Tooth Powder....15c
25c Rubifoam 16c
25c Sanitol Tooth Powder....16c
25c Cuticura Soap 16c
25c Packer's Tar Soap....15c
25c Woodbury's Soap....16c
25c Rubberset Shaving Brush....15c

PATENT MEDICINES

25c Beecham's Pills 16c
25c Bromo Seltzer 16c
25c Carter's Pills 14c
25c Cascarets 16c
25c Sal Hepatica 16c
25c Johnston's Liniment....16c
25c Omega Oil 16c
25c Orangeine 16c

DRUGS

25c Denatured Alcohol, pt. bottle..16c
25c Elm Bark, ¼ lb....15c
25c Rock Candy, lb....15c
25c Chloride of Lime, 2 lb. cans...16c
25c Paraffine, 2 lbs....16c
25c Cold Cream, 2 oz. jar....15c
25c Powdered Borax, 2 lbs....16c

GET YOUR SOUVENIR

A ¼ box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

50c VALUES

33c and Less

TOILET GOODS

50c Pebeco Tooth Paste....33c
50c Pompeian Massage Cream....31c
50c Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap, 4 cakes 33c
50c Hind's Honey & Almond Cream 33c
50c Levy's Leblache Powder....33c

PATENT MEDICINES

50c Birt's Head Wash....33c
50c California Syrup of Figs....33c
50c Danderine 33c
50c Doan's Pills 33c
50c Father John's Medicine....33c
50c Hay's Hair Health....33c
50c Patch's Sugar of Milk....33c
50c Cascarets 33c
50c Omega Oil 33c
50c Scott's Emulsion....33c
50c Listerine 33c

DRUGS

50c Carbolic Acid, 1 lb. bottle....33c
50c Gum Camphor, 1-2 lb....33c
50c Cocoa Butter, 1-2 lb....27c
50c Black Licorice Sticks, lb 25c
50c Lanoline, 1-4 lb. can....30c
50c Senna Leaves, 1 lb....33c
50c Glycerine, 1 lb. bottle....29c
50c Compound Licorice Powder, 1lb. 29c

2 SPECIAL COMBINATIONS

1 Can Riker's Antiseptic Tooth Powder. Guaranteed Tooth Brush. **25c**

4 10c Cakes Howard's True Violet Soap. 1 Wash Cloth. **25c**

GET YOUR SOUVENIR.

A 1-4 Lb. box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

$1.00 VALUES

67c and Less

PATENT MEDICINES

$1.00 Bliss Native Herb Tablets..67c
$1.00 Bovinine 67c
$1.00 Cooper's Discovery....67c
$1.00 D. D. D. 67c
$1.00 Father John's Medicine....67c
$1.00 Maltine 67c
$1.00 Nerves 67c
$1.00 Herpicide 67c
$1.00 Scott's Emulsion....67c
$1.00 Peruna 67c
$1.00 Ayer's Hair Vigor....67c
$1.00 Listerine 65c
$1.00 Danderine 60c
$1.00 Gray's Glycerine Tonic....67c
$1.00 Hostetter's Bitters 67c
$1.00 Pierce's Prescription....67c
$1.00 Pinkham's Vegetable Compound 67c
$1.00 Regal Hair Life....67c
$1.00 Swamproot 67c
$1.00 Wampole's Cod Liver Oil....67c

SPECIAL BARGAINS
TOILET GOODS

10c Hand Sapolio 7c
10c Hair Insoles, pair.... 6c
25c Bridge Whist Score Pads.... 9c
Williams' Barber's Bar, 6 cakes...27c
Colgate's Barber's Bar, 8 cakes....25c
25c Babcock's Corylopsis Talcum Powder 9c
15c Hornet Playing Cards, 2 for 25c
15c Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap, 9c, 3 for 25c
35c Prophylactic Tooth Brush....25c
10c Palm Olive Soap.... 6c
15c Pears Unscented Soap....12c

GET YOUR SOUVENIR.

A 1-4 Lb. box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

Special Reductions in Rubber Goods and Sick Room Supplies

75c Jaynes' No. 877 Atomizer....49c
50c English Check Ice Bags....37c
75c Rubber Sheeting, per yard....48c
$1.50 White Enamel Douche Pans..97c
$2.00 White Enamel Bed Pans...$1.37
50c Jaynes' Nipples, per dozen....35c
15c Absorbent Gauze, 1 yd. pkg...10c
50c Highest Grade Absorbent Cotton, lb. 33c
$5 Jaynes' No. 1 Medical Battery, $2.39
75c Priscilla Water Bottles....47c
5c Nursing Bottles, 7 for....25c
75c U. S. Emergency Accident Case, 47c
$1.50 Maple Crutches, per pair...97c
25c Jaynes' Glass Nasal Douche...13c
5c Medicine Droppers, 2 for.... 5c
75c Handry Rubber Gloves....47c
$1.00 White Enamel Irrigators, 2 qt. 69c
75c Edgewood Fountain Syringes, 2 qt. 47c
Jaynes' Fountain Syringe, guaranteed for 1 year, 2 qt. size....$1.32
25c Bath Thermometers 19c
Temperature Thermometers, 47c to $1.83
75c Pure Gum Chin Reducers....43c
Cotton or Gauze Bandages, 10 yds. long, 1 inch wide, 6 for....25c
$2.00 Reform Shoulder Brace....$1.00

Suggestions for Christmas Gifts.

Safety Razors ....$5.00 to $13.50
Hair Brushes ....69c to $9.87
Toilet Mirrors ....25c to $3.00
Thermos Bottles ....$3.00 to $7.50
Waterman's Fountain Pens....$2.50 up
Perfume Atomizers ....75c to $2.23
Manicure Sets ....$2.29 up
Popular Cigars in boxes of 25..90c up
Electrical Vibrators ..$5.00 to $35.00
Confectionery in fancy packages, 50c to $5.00
Imported and Domestic Perfumes, Toilet Waters and Sachet Powders, in great variety.
Pipes .... 25c to $5.00

GET YOUR SOUVENIR.

A 1-4 Lb. box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

Special Values For the Smoker

PIPE AND TOBACCO SPECIAL

1 Genuine Imported French Briar Pipe ....
1 pkg. Pipe Cleaners....
1 pkg. of any popular 10c Tobacco ....
ALL FOR **29c**

POPULAR 5c CIGARS

4c, 7 for 25c

R. J. Special, a cigar that would be good value at 3 for 25c .... 4 FOR 25c

Popular 10c Cigars Including

7-20-4	MARGUERITE
QUINCY	BOSTONIA
BLACKSTONE	POET
C. C. A.	TRIMOUNT
M. C. A.	BARRISTER
HARVARD	NORTHERN LIGHT

7c, 4 for 25c

CIGARETTES

All 10c Kinds 8c
All 15c Kinds 11c
All 25c Kinds 18c
10c Tobacco, 9c, 3 for 25c
5c Tobacco, 6 for 25c

A 10c Diadona Cigar and a 1-4 Lb. box of Excello Chocolates with each purchase of 25c or more.

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A high grade assortment of Chocolates and Bon Bons. Good value at 40c. Selected and packed by ourselves. Opening Day Price, **25c lb.**

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1-2 lb. box, 40c
1 lb. box, 80c

Other Packages 30c to $5.00

POPULAR 60c CHOCOLATES (Including)

Schraff's ....
Lowney's ....
L. & C. Reputation ....
Apollo ....
Foss' ....
Utopian ....
47c lb.

PURE OLD-FASHIONED HORE-HOUND CANDY, 2 lbs. for 25c

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Free Specials Opening Day

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2. TO ANYONE PURCHASING 25c WORTH OR MORE OF ANY GOODS BEFORE NOON A CUP OF OUR NEW PROCESS HOT CHOCOLATE OR A GLASS OF ANY PLAIN CREAM DELICIOUS PURE COLD SODA IN ADDITION TO THE SOUVENIR PACKAGE OF CHOCOLATES.

3. TO EVERY MAN PURCHASING 25c WORTH OR MORE A 10c DIADONA CIGAR AND A 1-4 LB. BOX OF EXCELLO CHOCOLATES.

4. WITH EVERY PURCHASE OF GOODS AMOUNTING TO 25c OR MORE AT ANY COUNTER A FULL 1-4 POUND SOUVENIR BOX OF OUR EXCELLO HIGH GRADE CHOCOLATES.

$1.00 VALUES

63c and Less

PATENT MEDICINES

$1.00	Bovinine	63c
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$1.00	Father John's Medicine	63c
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$1.00	Pierce's Prescription	63c
$1.00	Pinkham's Vegetable Compound	63c
$1.00	Regal Hair Life	63c
$1.00	Swamproot	63c
$1.00	Wampole's Cod Liver Oil	63c
$1.00	Bliss Native Herb Tablets	63c

50c VALUES

32c and Less

TOILET GOODS

50c	Peheco Tooth Paste	32c
50c	Pompeian Massage Cream	31c
50c	Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap, 4 cakes	32c
50c	Hind's Honey & Almond Cream	32c
50c	Levy's Leblanc Powder	32c

PATENT MEDICINES

50c	Birt's Head Wash	32c
50c	California Syrup of Figs	32c
50c	Danderine	32c
50c	Doan's Pills	32c
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50c	Hay's Hair Health	32c
50c	Patch's Sugar of Milk	32c
50c	Cascarets	32c
50c	Omega Oil	32c
50c	Scott's Emulsion	32c
50c	Listerine	32c

DRUGS

50c	Carbolic Acid, 1 lb. bottle	32c
50c	Gum Camphor, 1-2 lb.	32c
50c	Senna Leaves, 1 lb.	32c
50c	Lanoline, 1-4 lb. can	30c
50c	Glycerine, 1 lb. bottle	29c
50c	Compound Licorice Powder, 1 lb.	29c
50c	Black Licorice Sticks, lb	29c
50c	Cocoa Butter, 1-2 lb.	27c

Popular 10c Cigars

6 CENTS EACH, Including

7-20-4	MARGUERITE
QUINCY	BOSTONIA
BLACKSTONE	POET
C. C. A.	TRIMOUNT
M. C. A.	BARRISTER
HARVARD	NORTHERN LIGHT

Popular 5c Cigars

4c Each, 3 for 10c, 8 for 25c

25c Values 14c and Less

TOILET GOODS

25c	Resinol Soap	14c
25c	Frostilla	14c
25c	Allen's Footease	14c
25c	Mennen's Talcum Powder	14c
25c	Comfort Powder	14c
25c	Balhasweet Bath Powder	14c
25c	Hood's Cologne	14c
25c	Calox Tooth Powder	14c
25c	Brown's Camphorated Dentifrice	14c
25c	Dentacura	14c
25c	Hood's Tooth Powder	14c
25c	Kolynos Tooth Paste	14c
25c	Lyon's Tooth Powder	14c
35c	Rubifoam	14c
25c	Sanitol Tooth Powder	14c
25c	Cuticura Soap	14c
25c	Packer's Tar Soap	14c
25c	Woodbury's Soap	14c
25c	Rubberset Shaving Brush	14c

PATENT MEDICINES

25c	Beecham's Pills	14c
25c	Bromo Seltzer	14c
25c	Carter's Pills	14c
25c	Cascarets	14c
25c	Sal Hepatica	14c
25c	Johnston's Liniment	14c
25c	Omega Oil	14c
25c	Orangeine	14c

DRUGS

25c	Denatured Alcohol, pt. bottle	14c
25c	Elm Bark, ¼ lb.	14c
25c	Rock Candy, lb.	14c
25c	Chloride of Lime, 2 lb. cans	14c
25c	Paraffine, 2 lbs.	14c
25c	Cold Cream, 2 oz. jar	14c
25c	Powdered Borax, 2 lbs.	14c

SATURDAY ONLY

JAYNES BALSAM of TAR

50c Bottle 25c, Only One to a Customer

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RIKER'S VOILET CERATE

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SOURCE OF SAVING

Municipal Departments Now Waste Many By-products

A report recently made to the board of park commissioners by Mr. George A. Parker, superintendent of parks of Hartford, Conn., discusses the proposition that the several municipal departments transfer to each other materials which each now destroys or throws away, but which might be of use to other departments. This part of the report was as follows:

As directed, I have inquired as to what might be exchanged between departments to their mutual convenience and the city's gain. I have confined my inquiries to such things as might be exchanged with the park department, seeking general information only, for to go into details sufficiently to make a working plan meant an examination of methods not warranted in a preliminary inquiry. While all talked with me frankly and seemed to be willing to do whatever would benefit their department and the city, yet I feel some were skeptical of any practical good coming from undertaking it.

The foundation upon which such an exchange rests seems to be the fact, if it is a fact, that what are by-products and waste in one department are supplies to be purchased in another, and also the ideal of what should be the relationship between departments.

If the ideal is that we are members of one great household and the executive officers a sort of upper servants to a common master, the people of Hartford, then such an exchange might be made practical and advantageous. But if the ideal is that the departments are different families, as it were, separated and distinct but living somewhat like tenants with a common landlord and working in the same shop, then the exchange is purely a commercial transaction, and probably would give less friction and more satisfaction if each department bought its own supplies in the open market and destroyed or otherwise disposed of its by-products and wastes.

For instance, manure and ashes are by-products with the fire department, but are supplies to be purchased by the park department, while hay and wood are by-products with the park department, but supplies to the fire department. Of course, ashes, manure, wood, and hay are articles of commerce and have market values, but the city official, when he sells his waste products in the market, finds that no price is too small when the city wants to sell, and no price too large when the city wants to buy. He is not regularly in the market, not thoroughly in touch with it, and a sort of nuisance there. His great desire is that his department shall fulfil its functions to the city in the best possible manner, and the man who has the gift of doing this seldom has the gift or the time to take the part of a tradesman. A man should have the skill and instincts of a successful horse trader to obtain full value for the by-products which a city has to sell, while to exchange between departments requires only the desire to deal fairly. A basis for making the exchange might be to charge the receiving department only the additional cost over what it would cost to otherwise dispose of it.

The following by-products of other departments could be used by the park department to advantage. Approximate estimates of quantities are given in round numbers, based upon statements of officials or contractors:

First—One hundred cords of manure, largely from the stables of the fire department.

Second—One hundred cords of leaves from the street trees, which have to be removed as litter.

Third—One hundred tons of animal waste, principally dead horses and dogs. Over 200 horses die yearly, and a larger number of dogs and smaller animals. At present about one-fifth of these are cared for by the city, the remainder by private parties. This matter is now a private business of fair proportion, and so well managed that the public have no trouble with it.

Fourth—One thousand five hundred yards of ashes from the different city buildings and district schoolhouses, much needed by the parks for roads, walks, playcourts and drainage.

Fifth—Two thousand cubic yards of sweepings from asphalt pavements. In the raw this refuse is more injurious than beneficial to plant life, yet when mixed with alkalis and compounded as to destroy the asphalt oil and peroxide of iron, after two or three years it becomes a valuable fertilizer.

Sixth—Three thousand cubic yards of garbage. At present what cannot be disposed of for feeding to pigs is buried in trenches in the meadows.

Seventh—Fifty thousand cubic yards of ashes and waste matter from private houses. For the parks this would have a value only as filling, but there is a value for about one-fifth of this greater than filling.

These seven items are the larger items which could be used by the department for filling, construction or fertilizing purposes. They are now well cared for, the question being simply, would the city be better off if they were used differently?

For exchange, the park department could give as follows:

First—Hay and bedding that is not needed for its own animals.

Second—Refuse wood which comes from pruning and cutting of dead trees and improvement of wood lots.

Third—Street trees for setting out, as the street department might need.

Fourth—Plants, trees, shrubs and vines for decorating public buildings and grounds.

Fifth—Sods and loams for public areas.

Several years ago I gave considerable thought to this matter, and came to the conclusion that it was practical, desirable and sanitary, and with less net cost to the city, yet as the trend of effort was in a different direction, that the city would not undertake this method of disposing of its waste.

I fear I have not stated as clearly as I would like the fact that, could the parks have the benefit of the city's waste, it would enable them to be kept in a high state of fertility and add much to their beauty and usefulness.

DIVIDEND DECLARED

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The directors of the Louisville & Nashville railroad yesterday declared a semi-annual dividend of 3½ per cent, an increase of one-half per cent, over the previous half year dividend declaration. To-day's declaration places the stock on a seven per cent. basis.

$8000 PAID TO FARMERS

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—In view of the fact that nearly $8000 has been paid the farmers of the state because of damages which they suffered from deer, an effort will be made to declare a brief open season for hunting by an act of the incoming legislature.

WILL NOT GIVE UP PLACE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the United States to whom it was said an offer had been made to become president of the University of Michigan returned to Washington today from Chicago and declared he did not intend to give up his governmental position to accept the presidency of the educational institution.

HE WILL RETIRE

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—Official announcement was made yesterday that James Campbell, general solicitor of the Philadelphia & Reading railroad company would retire January 1. He will be succeeded by Charles Dechner now assistant general solicitor.

HEARTFELT GRATITUDE

Thomas B. Sullivan, One of Lowell's Best Known Shoe Dealers, Gives VAR-NE-SIS Credit for Wonderful Cure of Rheumatism

Other Sufferers from This Painful Malady Should Read This Letter and Profit By His Experience

I know that Rheumatism can be cured. Every day I am more sure of this fact.

No man living can blame me for my enthusiasm when he sees the mass of letters that I am continually receiving from grateful men and women in all walks of life.

The following interesting letter will portray the feelings of one well known man, who gives VAR-NE-SIS full credit for the good it has and can accomplish. It is as follows:

W. A. Varney, Lynn, Mass.

Dear Sir—I want to tell you the great benefit I have derived from the use of VAR-NE-SIS Blood Purifier. I was a great sufferer from Sciatic and Muscular Rheumatism. My abdomen was greatly distended. My stomach gave me considerable trouble.

As I am in the retail shoe business it made it very hard for me not to be able to stoop readily, which seemed impossible at times, because my knees were so swollen and stiff. My hands were also affected. To go up and down stairs was a veritable hardship.

About the time I was suffering the worst, I read in The Lowell Sun of the wonderful cures VAR-NE-SIS was performing and, inasmuch as testimonials were from local citizens, I decided to give it a trial.

My Rheumatism has today entirely disappeared, never, I believe, to return. My stomach and bowels are all right and I can bend with perfect ease as all the stiffness has gone out of my joints.

All this improvement in health is due to VAR-NE-SIS, and I assure you that I feel very grateful for the help I have gotten through its use.

Yours truly,
(Signed) THOMAS B. SULLIVAN,
337 Bridge St., Lowell, Mass.

THOMAS B. SULLIVAN,
Lowell, Mass.

I want simply to state that no matter how strong a testimonial may be it can't possibly do full justice to what VAR-NE-SIS will do.

Anyone who will write me, or write to any name signed to a testimonial which I publish, will obtain other particulars in regard to this greatest of all cures for Rheumatism.

Sold by all druggists, 50c and $1.00 a bottle.

My address is W. A. VARNEY, 25 Hamilton Ave., Lynn, Mass.

Practical Christmas Gifts

We offer attractive and useful gifts for this holiday season, gifts which will not make a great inroad upon your purse, and which will be gratefully accepted. Make your purchases now, pay for them by our method of easy payments. Our system of credit is acknowledged to be satisfactory in every way. Now is the time to buy your own Xmas outfit, too. We cannot fail to please you.

MEN'S and YOUTHS' SUITS—First class garments from all the leading manufacturers, well made of the best materials from $10 to $25

NEW AUTO COATS—Plain or in the new mixtures. Overcoats attractive and serviceable, as low as.....$10 to $30

RAINCOATS, UMBRELLAS, ETC.

BOYS' SUITS and OVERCOATS—Stylish and well made. Will please the youngsters greatly, from .....$5.00 to $20.00

WOMEN'S NEW XMAS APPAREL

WOMEN'S SUITS, in all desirable materials, made in the most approved styles, from.....$14 to $30

CARACUL COATS, full and three-quarter lengths, lined throughout, from ..... $10.50 to $30.00

COATS of BROADCLOTH and other materials, a large and varied assortment, new military style included, from.....$12 up

XMAS FURS of quality, fox, mink, lynx, opossum, etc. Sets from $5.00 up

PRETTY XMAS WAISTS of lingerie and in fancy patterns of lace, silk, etc., from .....$1.49 up to $8.00

MILLINERY **CHILDREN'S GARMENTS**

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72 PRESCOTT STREET

HOW TO CURE SKIN DISEASES.

This is the question that has baffled the medical profession for centuries. A great many medicines have been exploited for the cure of skin diseases without much success. Most of these remedies were salves or greasy lotions. While they might give temporary relief they did not have the power to destroy the germ life that causes the disease. You can now obtain from A. W. Dows & Co., the druggists, a clean, vegetable liquid remedy for external use that will give prompt relief and permanently cure eczema and every form of skin or scalp disease. This remedy, which is known as ZEMO, cures by drawing to the surface of the skin, and destroying the germ life that causes the disease. It can be used freely on infants. Mr. A. W. Dows says ZEMO gives the best satisfaction of any medicine he has ever sold for the treatment of all diseases of the skin or scalp. For sale by A. W. Dows & Co., leading druggists.

CAPTAIN LOOSE

A Figure in Peary-Cook Dispute

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—There was another little polar flurry in New York last night, which, boiled down, resolved itself into a series of charges and countercharges such as have been frequent since Dr. Frederick A. Cook, now in mysterious seclusion, announced he had discovered the North pole.

B. S. Osbon, secretary of the Arctic club, came out first with a statement, indicating that Capt. August W. Loose was prepared to repudiate a recent affidavit published in a New York newspaper that he had faked records for Dr. Cook.

After a hurried search Loose was found, together with his associate, Geo. Dunkle. He denied that he intended to retract anything, stood by his affidavit, and said on the other hand that attempts had been made to bribe him into a contradiction of his previous declarations. Dunkle confirmed him in this.

No one denies that Loose did prepare records for Dr. Cook. The question left open is whether these records were urged by the explorer merely for the purpose of comparison or otherwise.

CLAIMS ESTATE

Wanderer Wants Share of $250,000 Property

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Attracted by a newspaper clipping which stated his brother had died in Boston intestate and leaving a fortune of $250,000, Jas. F. Corbett, for 30 years a wanderer in Canada, England and the United States, returned to Boston last night to lay claim to his share of the estate of Wm. J. Corbett, a junk dealer, who died on Sept. 23.

Rival claimants, eager for the first sight of an "own" brother, lawyers and newspapermen sought out Corbett on his arrival at the South station last night and eventually the police took a hand to secure the man's safe escort to a place of retreat.

Is Your Appetite Always Good?

Why can't you eat as you used to? Simply because your liver doesn't do its work properly. Its business is to take bile out of the blood, which acts as Nature's cathartic, but your liver is sluggish and the bile accumulates too fast, and you feel worn out, tired and lifeless, and each succeeding day brings no relief. The use of Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills will regulate your bowels, stimulate your liver, and promote a healthy, vigorous appetite.

Mr. Ray W. Dixon, of Sanford, Me., writes: "I have gained ten pounds. I can now eat all kinds of food."

Try them and you will be convinced that these little vegetable pills are indeed a tonic and stimulant to the functions of the liver. Then your brain will be active, your mind clear, and health conditions again established and you can eat anything. Get your liver right. Smith's Pineapple and Butternut Pills act gently but surely on the liver. Physicians use and recommend. They form no habit. You should always keep them on hand. These little Vegetable Pills will ward off many ills.

To Cure Constipation Biliousness and Sick Headache in a Night, use

SMITH'S PINEAPPLE AND BUTTERNUT PILLS — FOR Constipation, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache and Diseases of the Stomach, Liver and Bowels. NATURE'S LAXATIVE 25¢

60 Pills in Glass Vial 25c.—All Dealers.

SMITH'S BUCHU LITHIA KIDNEY PILLS — For Sick Kidneys. Bladder Diseases, Rheumatism, the one best remedy. Reliable, endorsed by leading physicians; safe, effectual. Results lasting. On the market 16 years. Have cured thousands. 100 pills in original glass package, 50 cents. Trial boxes, 10 pills, 25 cents. All druggists sell and recommend.

BOSTON PAINLESS DENTAL ROOMS

Why people suffer from bad teeth or go without teeth is a mystery and only explainable by ignorance of our PAINLESS METHODS.

A SET OF OUR BEST TEETH will make a valuable Christmas present. Patrons ordering a set of our best teeth for Christmas will be given one Gold Crown or two Gold Fillings FREE.

GOLD CROWNS, 22k.....$5.00
GOLD FILLINGS.....$1.00 up

Rooms 16, 17, 18, 29 Runels Bldg.
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MERRIMACK & PALMER STREETS

JOHN S. BACKMAN, Pres. JOHN J. BURNS, Sec. MATTHEW SCOTT, Treas.

Do Your Christmas Shopping Now

Start out today. Don't wait. Buy while the gift goods are fresh, the novelties numerous, the salespeople at their best and the delivery wagons not overloaded. Shop in the forenoon if possible. Keep to the right in crowded places. Carry small parcels when convenient to do so.

Toys, Dolls, Books and Games in the Basement

Women's Holiday Neckwear

Over 2000 pieces of crisp, new neckwear will be placed on sale today for the first time. Come early and have first selection.

All bright and new neckwear, Swiss lace, hand embroidered and fluffy Jabots. Silk and hand embroidered bows and fancy stock collars with and without Jabots, 25c each, in a box.

Rich and showy neckwear including cascade and side jabots, stock collars with jabots and fancy stock collars 50c each, in a box.

Some special novelties, one in a box, 75c, $1.00, $1.50, $1.98.

CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS

These Splendid Values Will Crowd Our Store Today and Tomorrow

Men's and Women's Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 12 1-2c—Good quality Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, for men or women, put up 6 in a box..... 75c Box

Children's Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes.....10c, 15c, 19c, 25c

Lace Trimmed Handkerchiefs, made of sheer linen, with beautiful Armenian, Valenciennes, Duchess and Point Lace 50c, $1, $2, $3, $4, $5, $7.50

Women's Handkerchiefs

Women's Embroidered Initial Linen	25c
Women's Embroidered Linen	25c
Women's Swiss Embroidered	25c
Women's Mourning Linen	25c
Women's Fancy Colored Linen	25c

Men's Handkerchiefs

Men's Plain Linen Initial	25c
Men's Tape Border Linen	25c
Men's Plain Silk Hemstitched	25c
Men's Colored Border Silk	25c
Men's Initial Silk Hemstitched	25c

GIFT GLOVES

Let us remind you that a Gilbride Glove is always a good glove. A handsome Christmas box with each pair

A beautiful new line of Kid Gloves for the holiday trade put up in pretty gift boxes. Fowne's "Lunark" Kid Gloves in black, white, green, gray, tan and brown, at .....$1 a pair

Fowne's Real French Kid Gloves, all the smart shades, including the "Dagmar," also the "Marguerite," a special short fingered glove at $1.50 a pair

"Baemo" Cape Gloves for street wear, in brown, gun metal and Havana tans, also a full line of chamois in natural and white at.....$1 a pair

Mocha Gloves lined and unlined, very special at ..... $1 and $1.50 Pair

Fur Lined Gloves in squirrel and blended mink, $3.98 and $4.98 Pair

Misses' and Boys' Lined Kid Gloves from 50c to $1.50 Pair

A complete line of Women's and Children's Mittens and Gloves in Angora, silk and wool, from 25c to $1.50 Pair

Aprons

Always an Acceptable Xmas Gift

Fancy Tea Aprons made of Cross Bar Muslin or Fine Lawn, trimmed with Torchon Lace Insertion and Edge, Hamburg Insertion and Edge...25c

Large Aprons made of Fine Lawn with Cluster of Tucks, or Wide Swiss Band; also Bretello Aprons 25c

25 Styles of Swiss, Dotted or Cross Bar Muslin and Colored Embroidered Aprons, Round, Square, Princess, Bretelle and Maide, handsomely trimmed with Swiss Embroideries, Lace Insertion, Edges and Beadings 50c

Nurses' 72 inch Aprons, made of Heavy Sheeting with Reversible Pockets 50c

Fancy Tea and Large Square Aprons, all latest novelties ..... 75c to $2.50

Swiss and Lawn Sewing Aprons, trimmed with fine val. Lace 50c, 75c, $1.00

Christmas Furs

Our Assortment of Muffs, Collars and Stoles is complete, ranging in price from....$1.95 up to $95

We are selling a Fine Opossum Shawl for $4.75. Muff to match at $5; also large Pillow Opossum Muff for $3.95.

Black Cat Lynx Muffs.....$3.98 up to $12.50
Black Wolf Muff or Shawl.....$13.50 to $16.50
Black Fox Muff or Shawl.....$16.50 to $25
Genuine Black Lynx Pillow Muff $22.50, worth $37.50
Genuine Mink Muffs in Large Pillow Rug shape, $12.50 up to $50.00
Mink Shawls, some plain, others with head and tails ..... $18.50 to $95.00
36-inch Pony Coat, finely marked skins...$39.50
52-inch Pony Coat, Foreign Dyed.....$48.50
Extra Fine Pony Coats, marked like a broad tail, for $72.50
Marmot Coats .....$39.50, $47.50 and $58.50
French Coney Coats, $32.50 and $38.50, 50 inches in length.
Imported Caracul Coat, 52 inches long, Skinner Satin Lined, Jet Buttons $25.00

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY PRICED TO SUIT ALL PURSES

SANTA CLAUS

Holds his last reception this year Monday Afternoon. Reception hours 9.30 to 11 a. m. and 2.30 to 4 p. m. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

SANTA'S MAIL BOX is in its usual place at the main entrance. Be sure the children write their name and address correctly and he will answer them.

Dolls in Basement

WE HAVE A VERY LARGE STOCK OF BOTH FRENCH AND GERMAN DOLLS

in dressed and undressed models. We import all of our Dolls direct and have them made from our own specifications. We call your particular attention to quality of the eyes, hair, clothing, etc.; also the expression of the faces and shape of the bodies.

Extra fine values at

25c, 49c, 98c, $1.49, $1.98, $2.98, up to $5.00

Novelties and Sets

This department is located in front of elevator on Street Floor. The assortment shown is larger and better than ever before and includes many new things in the line of Toilet Sets, Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, Military Sets, Jewel Cases, Sterling Silver Sets, Clocks, Ornaments, Atomizers, etc., etc. These items are all bought direct from the makers early in the Spring and prices are very attractive.

Christmas Candy, Nuts and Oranges

Mixed Nuts, fine new mixture, over half English Walnuts, balance Castinas, Filberts, Almonds and Pecans (no Shagbarks or Common Walnuts in this mixture) ..... 2 lbs. for 25c

Fine Quality Ribbon Candy, absolutely pure and wholesome, fresh and clean box of.....2 lbs. for 25c

Florida Oranges, sweet and juicy.....18 for 25c

Thousands of Toys

It seems as if we are able to get better Toys each year. We have thousands of Foreign and Domestic Toys, ordered direct from the manufacturers early in the spring.

This places us in a position to offer you remarkable variety and values. As usual, the Mechanical Toys, Horses, Sleds, Carts, Doll Carriages, Chairs, Furniture, Tool Chests, Drums, Steam Engines, Magic Lanterns, etc., are on the Second Floor. Dolls and Small Toys are in Basement.

Leather Goods

We have all the new Novelties and Staples in this department, comprising fine assortment of Bill Books, Letter Cases, Cigar Cases, Carriage Bags, Wrist Bags, Card Cases, Envelope Bags, Traveling Rolls, Pocket Books, Purses, Music Rolls, Soft Leather Bags, etc., in all kinds of leathers finished in the most popular shades. Prices range to suit all purses.

Christmas Belts

What would be more acceptable than a nice Belt in a fancy box? We have a great variety of Persian Elastic Belts with the new shirt waist buckles; Gilt with colors and buckles to match; "Fitwell Belts;" fine cut Jet Belts with ornaments front and back. Prices 25c to $3.75

RUCHING IN CHRISTMAS BOXES

Handsome Patterns, several different patterns in a box. Cord Ruchings in boxes.

Tourist Ruchings in six yard lengths. Prices 25c and 50c a box

China and Glassware

A fortunate purchase enables us to offer fine Japanese, Austrian and French China, in Bon Bons, Salads, Cake Plates, Chocolate Sets, Fruit Bowls, Nut Bowls, Vases, Bric-a-Brac, etc., Domestic and Foreign Jardinieres, Jardinieres and Pedestals, Umbrella Jars, etc., Fancy Glass Water Sets, Wine Sets, Punch Bowls, Fruit Bowls, Berry Sets, Nut Bowls, etc. Beautiful new designs—at about half price.

Jewelry and Shell Goods

Beautiful Holiday Gifts are found in this department, consisting of Gold Plated, Gold Filled and Solid Gold Jewelry, including in the assortment Brooch Pins, Collar Pins, Scarf Pins, Hat Pins, Cuff Links, Rings, Hair Barrettes, Neck Chains, Lockets, Fob Chains, Lorgnettes, Bracelets, Belt Buckles, Chatelaine Pins, Ear Rings, Combs and Comb Sets; Fans are in this department also.

You will find the quality as represented and prices O. K.

Perfumes and Toilet Waters

We have all desirable makes, in fancy package or bulk, including Hudnut's, Rogers & Gallet's, Ricksecker's, Colgate's, Woodworth's, etc. Unquestionable quality at satisfactory prices.

Shirt Waist Patterns

In neat boxes, tied with ribbon, 3½ yard lengths of French Madras, Brilliantines and Cotton and Silk Novelties 69c to $2.49

Women's and Children's Gloves

All kinds at popular prices. Cashmere, Woolen, Silk, Kid, Fur lined and fur trimmed. Style, quality and prices are all that can be desired. In handsome boxes if you wish.

Women's Fancy Hose Supporters

(CORSET DEPT.)

Large assortment of Shirred Ribbon Hose Supporters, made in plain and fancy colors, packed in handsome Christmas boxes, 50c, 75c, $1, $1.50 pair

Christmas Suggestions on Second Floor

Blanket and Eiderdown Bath Robes.....$1.98 to $7.98

Short Eiderdown and Flannelette Kimonas, from 49c to $5.98

Black and all the newest shades Taffeta Silk Petticoats, all well made, from.....$3.98 to $16.98

Black Wolf Sets, shawl and rug muffs...$10 to $27.50

Children's Real Krimmer Sets, throw and muff, from $9.50 to $12.98

Children's Natural Squirrel Sets, shawl and muff, $3.98 to $10.50

Handkerchiefs, Neckwear

Fancy Embroidered and Lace Handkerchiefs, in individual boxes, all prices up to $5.00

Fancy Embroidered Handkerchiefs in handsome boxes of 6, for .....$1.50 and $1.00

Children's Handkerchiefs, 3 in puzzle and fancy boxes ..... 15c and 25c

Women's Neckwear in individual boxes, 25c and 50c

Handkerchiefs for Men, Women and Children with initial, 6 in box for .....50c to $3.00

Handsome Embroidered Initial Handkerchiefs, from ..... 10c to 50c

Christmas Footwear

Men's Tan and Black Romeo and Everett Slippers $1.49

Men's Tan, Everett and Opera Slippers $1.00

Men's Imitation Alligator and Embroidered Velvet 49c

Boys' and Youths' Alligator and Velvet Slippers, 49c

Women's Felt Romeos, all colors 98c

Women's Black or Brown Romeos 75c

Women's Crocheted Slippers 59c

Women's Plush Bound Slippers 49c

Women's Colored Boudoir Slippers with traveling cases to match...$1.25

Children's Red Romeos, 75c

Girls' Tan Storm Boots, according to size, $1.75 to $2.50

Boys' Tan Grain Oil Storm Boots, according to size .....$2.00 to $2.50

Beautiful Shirt Waists

Make a nice gift. We have a large assortment of handsome models in Fancy Nets, Colored Silks, and Lingeries. Prices range from.....$2.98 to $25.00

Women's Sweaters

Are Located in This Department Also.

Coat Sweaters in all desirable colors, $1.98 to $6.98

Xmas Books and Stationery

Hundreds of Beautiful Books Ready for Your Inspection.

One counter is devoted entirely to Books for Little Folks and contains all kinds of Picture Books at 10c to 75c each

Another counter is filled with Books for Girls and Boys, all new, up-to-date, at .....19c to 50c

Other counters have Latest Fiction, Popular Copyrights and Fancy Gift Books, at....25c to $1.08 each

Fancy Boxed Stationery of all grades, in beautiful boxes, from ..... 10c to $1.75

We show a large line of Prayer Books, Rosary Beads, Bibles, etc.

Pipes of All Kinds

Also found here, including Briar, Meerschaum and imitations. Plain and Fancy Shapes; also Health Pipes. Prices .....25c to $6.00

Gents' Furnishings

This department is stocked with the very latest things, including Bath Robes, Smoking Jackets, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Boxed Neckwear, Fur Lined Gloves, Fancy Hose and Holiday Suspenders in boxes.

Umbrellas Engraved Free

All umbrellas purchased at this store will be engraved, any style you want, absolutely free of charge.

Children's Umbrellas, all sizes 50c, 59c, 75c

Women's Umbrellas, best American taffeta, tape edge, assorted horns, gun metal, pearl and Princess handles, only $1.25; better grades ..... $1.69 and $2.00

Special—65 women's strictly high grade umbrellas, best lorantine cover, warranted gold plate and sterling silver handles, a $3 umbrella for $2.25

Any young man looking for something strictly exclusive in umbrellas for his mother, sister, or sweetheart, will do well to look over our line. We have the finest assortment of hand cut silver, extra long mission wood, sterling silver, heavy gold plated and gun metal handles, union or all silk covers. Prices from $3.00 to $10.00

Attractive Items

On Sale at Muslin Underwear Dept. 2nd Floor

Aprons, dotted muslin or plain .....25c to $1.50

Fascinators, in handsome colors .....25c to 98c

Children's Sweaters, 50c to $2.49

Cardigan Jackets, 98c to $2.49

Beacon Wrapper Blankets

Basement

Handsome patterns for men or women, fast colors, beautiful and comfortable. $2.25 to $4.98

Wool Blankets in all grades, extra values at $2.49 to $12.50 pair

Pictures

Beautiful line of Water Colors, Pastels, Photo Engravings and Paintings; great variety of subjects to choose from. An ideal gift for the home. Prices 10c to $10

Women's Hose

In handsome Christmas boxes. Fine Lisle, Mercerized and Silk Hose, in all of the new shades as well as black. Prices range from 50c to $4.98 pair

BE SURE TO ASK FOR PONY TEAM TICKETS WITH ALL CASH PURCHASES OF CHILDREN'S WEARABLES.

THE BON MARCHE DRY GOODS COMPANY

STREET CLEANING

As It is Done in Various American Cities

The following despatches from various American municipalities relative to street cleaning will be of interest to Lowell readers:

STREET CLEANING WELL DONE

BALTIMORE, Md.—Only twenty-one complaints were received by the department of street cleaning for the month of November of failure properly to remove refuse and ashes throughout the city. All of the twenty-one were investigated with the result that Chief Inspector T. L. Hines reported to Commissioner J. L. Wickes that nine were justifiable complaints and twelve were not. Of those that were not justifiable, some were in instances where barrels that could not be handled alone by the drivers of carts had been put out, the law limiting the size of the receptacle to one bushel. Commissioner Wickes is elated at the report, as he says that six years ago, when he took hold of the department, the average daily number of complaints was about 250, as contrasted with the 21 for last month, and that this has been accomplished without increasing the expenditures of the department in proportion to the growth of the city.

SPRINKLING STATISTICS

DAYTON, O.—Data respecting the sprinkling of streets in Dayton during the past summer has been completed by City Engineer F. J. Cellarius, as follows: The number of miles sprinkled, full roadway, was 24.21, the same amount being assessed. The number of feet sprinkled went to 127,840.24. Cost assessed for one month, full roadway, $2990.50. The cost assessed for six months is $17,943. The average rate per lineal foot per month was $0.0234. For six months, the average rate was $0.1404. The average rate per mile is figured at, per month, $123.54. For six months it is $741.44. The maximum rate per lineal foot per month for one-half roadway is $0.03. The minimum rate is $0.008. The maximum rate per lineal foot for six months for one-half roadway is $0.18. The minimum rate is $0.048. There were 129 streets sprinkled, while the number of bills issued each month was 4984. The total number of bills for six months was 29,904.

ASHES MUST BE COVERED

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Ashes will not be collected unless the receptacles are covered, according to the city board of health. The contract providing for the removal of ashes requires that all receptacles be covered. "Now that freezing weather has come," said Dr. Eugene Buchler, secretary of the board, "it is practically a physical impossibility for ash collectors to remove ashes from open receptacles. We have a long list of uncovered cans and unless covers are provided, collections will not be made from these places.

NEW GARBAGE SYSTEM

SCRANTON, Pa.—The claim of the bureau of health that the operation of the city's system of garbage and ashes collection and disposal has proved of great sanitary benefit to the city is borne out by the health record for the month of November. The record shows that in some important respects the number of contagious diseases was less than for the same month in the five previous years. This is particularly true of typhoid fever, of which there were only eight cases. There were thirteen cases of scarlet fever, also the smallest number for the month in five years, as against sixty-four for the corresponding month in 1908. Of diphtheria there were thirty-nine, within one of being the smallest number in five years. The least during that period of time was in 1905, when but thirty-eight were reported. Measles, with fifty-seven cases, was about normal, 1905 crowding 247 cases into it, while 1906 had none.

FAULT FOUND WITH CREMATORY

TERRE HAUTE, Ind.—The board of public works has notified the Lewis & Kitchen Co., Chicago, Ill., that the crematory recently completed has so far failed to meet the requirements of the contract in the matter of fuel consumption. The contract price was $24,375 and the capacity was to be seventy-five tons in twenty-four hours, but no test of that amount could be made because the garbage could not be collected without taking too much time in accumulating it, but in other tests the plants did not meet specifications. The cost a ton was to be: Fifty to seventy-five tons at 30 cents; thirty to fifty tons, 35 cents; twenty to thirty tons, 40 cents, and fourteen to twenty tons, 45 cents. The contractors have the privilege of making the plant meet requirements.

A carving knife always makes a fine present. The Thompson Hardware Co. has an elegant line.

Hay's Hair Health

NEVER FAILS TO RESTORE GRAY HAIR TO ITS NATURAL COLOR AND BEAUTY.

No matter how old and faded your hair looks, or how long you have been gray, it will work wonders for you, keep you looking young, make it soft and silky, promote a luxuriant growth of healthy hair, stop its falling out and POSITIVELY REMOVE DANDRUFF.

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Hay's Harlina Soap cures Eczema, red, rough and chapped hands, and all skin diseases. Keeps skin fine and soft, 25c. druggists. Send 2c. for free books, "The Care of the Skin," "The Care of the Hair."

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NEW AUTO RULES

The New Law Soon to Go Into Effect

In less than three weeks the new motor law goes into effect. When it is thoroughly digested it will be found that there are few changes from the other laws that affect owners.

Other features of the bill that were important went into effect July 1 last so that there was left, outside of the increased fees, little else. As the rules that had been made by the highway commission were embodied in the new law, together with various features of previous enactments, it brought everything up to date.

In looking over the penalty section there are some interesting lines because it will be well to watch whether the intent of the legislature is taken into consideration by judges. The section says "a complaint against a person for violation of sections 11, 16 or 17 of this act may be placed on file at the discretion of the court or trial justice if the violation appears to have been unintentional or if no person or property could have been endangered thereby."

In the old law, the matter is referred to briefly. When the bill was being fought in the committee hearings, it was pointed out that first offences of trivial things such as leaving a license in another coat, etc., should not bring about a conviction. Some of the members of the committee thought so, too, and the compromise was brought about.

Section 11 refers to carrying a license and registration about with one. Certainly the leaving of a license in one's other clothes does not endanger persons or property, and it is very likely to have been unintentional. The speed reference is also worth considering.

The fact that all the fines collected under the motor law will go to the state after Jan. 1 is likely to bring about a suspension of the traps that have been operated for some years with much profit to different localities. This provision is one of the most important ones, for it will add quite a revenue to the highway maintenance fund.

To make the law stronger it contains no provisions for allowing fees to be deducted from the fines. All the money must be handed over. There is a provision, too, that says that special constables may be appointed to see that the speed regulations are enforced, but they shall serve without cost to such city or town as appoints them. Therefore, there will not be a great rush on the part of people to spend Sunday watching motorists and Monday in court, when there is not a cent in it for them.

Non-residents are allowed to operate their cars here 10 days without having them registered. Under the old law it was seven days, and their chauffeurs could not operate the cars. Now the chauffeurs, if licensed in their own state, may drive the cars. The law does not specifically state that the 10 days shall be in any one calendar year, and that brings one back to the old fact that a person may drive out of the state before the 10 days are up and come back again. However, that is hardly worth bothering about.

There does not appear to be anything in the new law that says a motorist must have his numbers painted on his side lamps. This was one of the rules made by the highway commission, but all the commission's rules are wiped out by the new law, as some of them are embodied in it. The speed laws remain the same. The rear number must be so lighted at night that it may be seen 60 feet away.

The rush to secure new numbers is now on in earnest, and by the new year quite a lot of cars will be registered.

As was naturally to be expected, a howl went up when a lot of motorists secured the new blanks, renewals of driving licenses. The fact that there were three certificates of good character to be filled out amazed them, as they felt some distinction should have been made between private and public operator's licenses. So the commission has compromised the matter by allowing applicants for renewals of private licenses to forego the character certificates. Applicants for original private licenses must have the certificates filled out, however.

JAMES M. BECK

Is Counsel for Sugar Trust

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The American Sugar Refining company in its battle with the government has drawn into its service some of the ablest lawyers in the United States. James M. Beck has recently been appointed

senior counsel for the trust and it is understood, will hereafter conduct the defense of the big organization. John E. Parsons, former chief counsel, will retire. Mr. Beck was assistant attorney general of the United States from 1900 to 1903 and has argued some of the biggest trust cases before the supreme court in recent years. It is announced that sensational developments may be expected in the sugar investigation at any time.

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Pure Linen Embroidered Initial..12 1-2c or 75c Box

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Children's Handkerchiefs in various styles of fancy boxes 15c, 19c, 25c

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With a three month's guarantee $5.00

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IN CHOICE DESIGNS AND LOWEST PRICES, ALL WIDTHS, SUITABLE FOR THE THOUSAND AND ONE BEAUTIFUL GIFTS TO BE MADE FROM THEM.

MIDDLESEX NORTH

Good Word for Fair at Chelmsford

Here's a good word for the Middlesex North Agricultural society:

To the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture.

Dear Sir: I visited the fair of the Middlesex North Agricultural society at Chelmsford on the second day of the fair. They held it in connection with the Chelmsford Grange at the town hall.

The display of vegetables and fruit was very good. The show of stock and poultry was good. In the domestic department the ladies' work was fine. A marked feature of the show was the beautiful exhibits of four granges, Chelmsford, Billerica, Tewksbury and Dracut, the best exhibits by these granges that your inspector ever saw, or can expect to see, and we doubt if they can be excelled by any fair in the state.

Another interesting feature was the show of beans by the children. Last spring Supt. Chase gave to about 300 children in the schools of Dracut, Tyngsboro, Tewksbury and North Reading, 25 beans each to plant, and the display was the result of their labors. It seemed to be a step in the right direction to get the children interested in gardening and farming.

The society has sold its grounds, cleared off its debt, and has some $7000 or $8000 in the treasury. They have no trotting, but instead a good old-fashioned cattle show. We saw nothing objectionable and we consider the society entitled to the bounty of the state. My thanks are due to Mr. George M. Trull and the officers of the society for favors shown your inspector.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry A. Turner, Inspector.

SEASONABLE GIFTS

We have everything in the line of out or indoor implements to make the Boys, Girls, Men and Women healthy and strong.

FOR OUTDOOR SPORTS

Snowshoes ..... $3.00 to $5.00
Skates .....60c to $4.00
Toboggans .....$2.50 to $9
Skis .....$2.00 to $8.00
Hockey Sticks....25c to $1.00
Guns and Rifles.....$3.00 up
Mocassins .....$1.50 to $3.00
Sweaters ..... $2.00 to $6.00
Bicycles.

FOR INDOOR SPORT

Burrows Billiard Tables, $20.00 to $50.00
Boxing Gloves .....$1.25 to $6
Whitely Exerciser..$2.00, $3.00
Punching Bags.....$1.25 to $5
Basket Balls .....$1.25 to $6
Bowling Shoes....$2.50, $3.25
Basket Ball Shoes...65c and up
Indian Clubs.....25c to 50c
Dumb Bells ..... 25c to $2

Golf Clubs, Golf Balls, Caddy Bags, Tennis Rackets, Base Balls, Bats, Gloves and Mitts, Flexible Flyer Sleds.

ATHLETIC CLOTHING—Sweaters, Jerseys, Toques, Skating Caps and Gymnasium Suits.

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At Sacrifice Prices

Men's 75c Black Leather Slippers..49c a Pair
Men's $1.50 Kid Lined Slippers....98c a Pair
Ladies' 75c Felt Slippers.....49c a Pair
Ladies' $1.00 Felt Slippers.....69c a Pair
Ladies' $1.25 Felt Juliettes.....98c a Pair

SPECIALS

Ladies' $2.50 Gun Metal Button Shoes...$1.98
Boys' $1.50 Seamless Shoes, sizes 10 to 2... 98c
Boys' $2.00 Box Calf Blucher Shoes.....$1.49
Men's $4.00 Storm Boots.....$2.98
Boys' $3.00 Storm Boots.....$1.98
Boys' High Cut Storm Boots at.....$1.98

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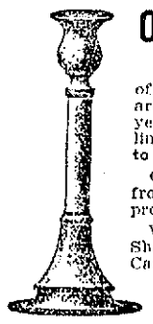
Six Cents Pound, Five Pounds 25 Cents. And Steel Popper 25c.



Our Brass Goods

We have an extensive line of articles in Brass. These are the popular presents this year. We have an elegant line of candlesticks from 15c to $8.00.

Over 100 patterns to select from. Nothing better for a present.

We also have a full line of Shades and Cuirasses and Candles.

Brass Dishes
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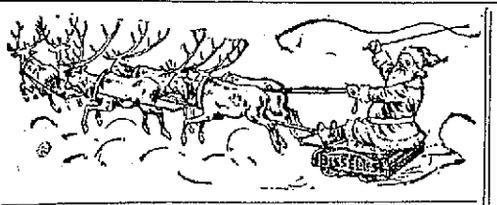
ANDIRONS, FIRESETS, SCREENS

Fenders and everything for the fireplace. Special Brass Andirons.....$3.00 Pair



"Out of the Usual" Line

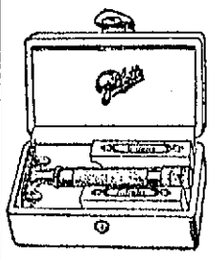
HOT WATER BOTTLES. We have a full line of these in Nickel and Leather Covers; also cases for same. This is something every auto owner should have.....Pint size, $3.00; quart size, $5.00

Baldwin Tumbler Holders, 2's, 4's, 6's.

CUTLERY DEPARTMENT

Anything needed in the Cutlery line we have. Scissors of every kind—Desk Scissors, Scissor Sets, Stork Scissors, Manicure Scissors, Manicure Sets, Grape and Flower Scissors.

RAZORS



We have all the best Safety Patterns. Gillette's and Gem Junior and various kinds.

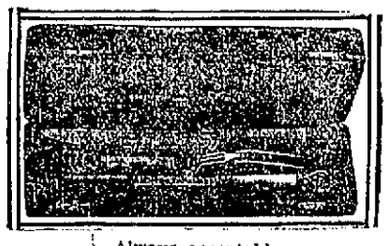
SKATES AND SLEDS

Pocket Knives

No better present can be given than a good knife. We have the very finest line ever displayed in Lowell. Prices to fit any purse .....15c to $10.00

Beautiful Pearl and Combination Knives. Any man will be pleased with a Pearl Handle Combination Knife, with various blades and scissors also.

CARVING KNIVES



Always acceptable.
Carving Knives for Roasts, Carving Knives for Birds, Carving Knives for Beefsteak. 35c to $25.00

PLATED WARE

We carry nothing but the best quality in this line.

BAROMETERS THERMOMETERS

SPECIAL—Pop Corn, 6c lb., 5 lbs. 25c, for Christmas.

THE THOMPSON HARDWARE CO., 254-256 MERRIMACK STREET

The one all pervading thought now. Everybody's making something under cover or buying something on the Q. T. All sorts of interesting little mysteries are in the air. People are hurrying here and there to find what most suits their fancy. Many are waiting until the last and then will try to buy everything at once. Don't do it. You won't get nearly the assortment to pick from, neither will you get the Everybody will be waited upon but morning shopping is easiest **attention that you would get now.**

Dainty Handkerchiefs

Beautiful Handkerchiefs in boxes, six pure linen embroidered handkerchiefs, in pretty holiday boxes, per box $1.50

Six Dainty Linen Initial Handkerchiefs, in boxes, the daintiest kind of a gift for Christmas, at per box 50c and 75c

Six Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, in pretty ready to send as a gift at per box 75c

Six Cross Barred Initial Handkerchiefs, in fancy Christmas boxes, at per box 45c

Beautiful Lace Handkerchiefs, now on display for the holidays, at each 12 1-2c

Embroidered Handkerchiefs, dainty designs, very special at 12 1-2c

Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in fancy edge or hemmed, 100 patterns to select from, each 10c

Fancy Embroidered Xmas Handkerchiefs ..... 10c Each

Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, embroidered corner .... 10c Each

Lace Edge Handkerchiefs, embroidered or cross bar, scalloped edge with corner embroidered in colors, 5c Each

Children's Handkerchiefs, three in fancy box, white or colored border, per box 19c

Children's Initial Handkerchiefs, three in box 25c

Christmas Jewelry

Ladies' Fancy Pins, three in a box ..... 48c a Set

Babies' Initial Pins, two in a fancy box 48c

Brooch Pins, in assorted stones and brilliants 48c

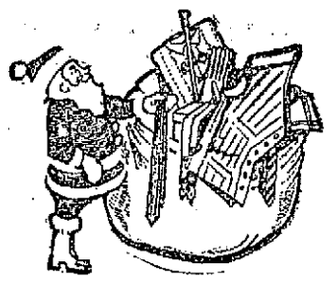
Newest Styles in Brooch Pins, assorted stones 24c

Hat Pins, in all newest designs, put up in a holly box, 24c and 48c

Men's Cuff Links, in old gold or oxidized silver, 48c a Pair

Cuff Links and Scarf Pins, all the latest styles. Prettily boxed ..... 48c a Pair

His Xmas Gifts Cost Less Here



Choosing suitable gifts for "Him" is an easy matter here.

Men's Neckwear, knitted and plain four-in-hands, thousand colors, also figures, cross and bias stripes. Each tie in a beautiful Christmas box ..... 24c to $1

Bow Ties put up in pretty box 15c

Christmas Suspenders, in fancy boxes, also combination sets including suspenders, garters and armlets to match or suspenders and four-in-hand Tie to match, 24c and 48c

Men's Gloves, all our high grade street and driving Gloves, prettily boxed, make acceptable gifts ..... 98c to $4.50

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, splendid variety of fancy and plain colors, with or without initial ..... 24c and 48c

Men's Handkerchiefs, a good gift at a small investment, fine cambric and linen, hemstitched, plain or initial, 12 1-2c to 48c

Jewelry—Every man uses a pair of Cuff Links, many use Pins also. We have prettily boxed sets including links and pin to match, at ..... 24c and 48c

Mufflers, fancy weave Phoenix Mufflers and plain handkerchief mufflers, also in silk and cashmere. Put up in a box ..... 48c to $2

Bags and Suit Cases

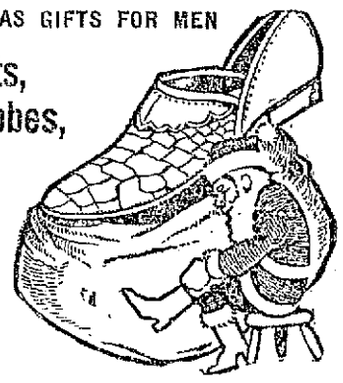
Club Bags, in tan colored rawhide, leather and cloth lined, $3 to $6.50

Suit Cases, sheepskin and cowhide, heavily reinforced corners, double lock, steel frame, some satin lined and some fitted with toilet cases ..... $3 to $8

Ladies' Suit Cases, 22 and 24 inch, light weight, made in rattan, leather bound $1.98

IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR MEN

House Coats, Lounging Robes, Slippers, Etc.



Comfortable "homey" togs that will make him stay at home nights.

Housecoats of smart, durable faced cloth in plain blue, gray and brown, with contrasting blacks; also fine soft American Blanket Robes, extra full cut, with fine girdles, pretty designs and nifty borders ..... $4 and $5

Men's Slippers, comfortable and handy, of imitation alligator, black and brown velvet and genuine alligator, opera and Harvard cut ..... 49c to $1.98

Xmas Games and Books

GAMES	
Ben Hur Telegraph Boy Game of Politics Game of Fortune Charge of Light Brigade Go Bang	$1 Games at **48c**
Jack Straws Authors Lotto Snap Pistol and Target Fifty Up and Others	Choice at **24c**

FULL LINE OF CHILDREN'S BOOKS ..... 5c and 10c

Lowest Prices in DOLLS

SPECIAL—Closed out an importer's sample line of Dressed Dolls, comprising the latest styles of up-to-date dresses—some silk, some satin. Worth $1.25 to $2.50 each. While they last 98c

ALSO—16 1-2 Inch Dolls, with moving eyes and joints, selected kid shoes and stockings. Big values and won't last long. Worth 75c ..... Priced at 49c

Big Line of Jointed Sleeping Dolls, dressed in silk, satin and wash dresses, light or dark hair; also kid body dolls with moving eyes, and wool dolls ... A big value at 24c

Ladies' Neckwear and Corset Covers

Fancy Net Jabot and Silk Collar, put up in fancy Christmas boxes. An exceptional gift at 98c.

Stock or Jabot Collars, all shades, ornamented with gilt and Persian braid, put up in fancy box 48c

Stock Collars, with or without jabots, trimmed with fancy braid, spangles and ruchings, boxed in handsome Christmas boxes 24c

Corset Covers in Fancy Box, real lace trimmings on back and front, three rows of ribbon 48c

Persian Lawn Corset Covers, very fine embroidery, two rows ribbon with bows, prettily boxed 75c

Fine Batiste Corset Covers, lace and medallion trimmed. These are put up in fine Christmas box 95c

Kimonas and Dressing Sacques

Ladies' Long Flannelette Kimonas with shirred back, rolled collar, button on sides, panel front, satin trimmed. Regular value $3.98 ..... $2.98

Long Kimonas of Flannelette with high or Dutch neck, plain or side tucked with belt, extra full. Regular value 98c 79c

Dressing Sacques with empire or shirred back in all the newest shades, ribbon trimmed, ribbon ties. Regular value $1.98 ..... $1.48

Dressing Sacques in German flannelette, extra heavy with sailor collar or turned down collar and rolled cuffs, shirred or box plaited back, ribbon trimmed. Regular value $1.25 ..... 95c

Dressing Sacques or short Kimonas in high neck, fancy colors, fitted waist line or belt. Regular value 59c, 47c

Dressing Sacques in black and white figure, silver gray or navy blue. Regular value 50c 39c

Something For Baby

Infants' Mocassins, with rosettes in plain white and white with blue or pink trimmings 25c

Infants' Booties, in quilted satin, bear skin and chamois, red, pink, blue, white and dresden, 24c, 48c and 98c

Pretty Box, containing a pair of infant's silk hose and white mocassins, very useful and pretty 98c

Bearskin Bonnets, in all the latest shades, finished with cord and satin ribbon ... 48c to 69c

Felt Bonnets, in the Dutch effect, trimmed with pink or blue satin lace ruching 95c

Infants' Knit Sasques or Kimonas, in white, trimmed with blue or pink 48c

Infants' Long Kimonas, in flannel, white trimmed in Persian colors 48c

FURS At Remarkable Price Concessions

A Winter Remarkable For Its Lack of Cold Weather Is Also Noticeable for its Low Fur Prices—the One Led to the Other and Right When the Christmas Spirit is Turning Folks' Attention to These Luxurious Gifts.

At $2.95—Fur sets worth $4, stylish, warm furs made of black or brown coney, large square muff and long satin lined throw.

At $1.95—Squirrel Sets worth $3, used by misses and children as well as ladies. Pillow Muff and throw to match.

At $11.95—White Iceland Fox Sets, worth $20. These are rich and handsome and are the rage this season.

At $9.95—Black Australian Lynx Sets, worth $15. Full size rug Muff and shawl collar, guaranteed satin lining.

At $20—Black Lynx Sets, worth $27.50. Pillow or rug muff and shawl collars. This set will be sold in separate pieces at $10 each.

At $40—Mink Sets, worth $60. Large pillow or rug muff, six heads on shawl. Only three of these left. A big trade.

Aprons as Gifts

Ladies' Tea Aprons in dotted Swiss, with embroidered ruffle 48c

Cross Bar Tea Aprons, in assorted checks, with fine embroidered ruffle 48c

Square Tea Aprons, with val. or hamburg insertions and ruffle, extra wide ties 48c

Bretelle Tea Aprons, in plain or dotted Swiss with hamburg bretelles and long ties, 48c, 69c

Long Aprons in Bretelle, with hamburg bretelles and bib 48c

Bretelle Aprons, in plain muslin, with fancy embroidered bib 24c

Dotted Swiss and Plain Lawn Tea Aprons, in square or round, extra fine quality 24c

Long, Plain White Skirt Aprons, can be worn either side, two widths 48c

Long Apron, with insertion and cluster hemstitched tuck and long ties 48c

FANCY BELTS

Ladies' Fancy Mercerized Belts, in light blue, green, navy or black, with fancy buckle 24c

Ladies' Silk or Satin Embroidered Belts, in all the newest shades, buckles to match 48c

Fancy Dresden Elastic Belts, with beautiful jeweled buckles, 98c and $1.50

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49 to 59 CENTRAL ST.

UMBRELLAS AS GIFTS

Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas made of fine twilled cloth, natural wood and fancy handles 98c

Fine Mercerized Twill and Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, ladies' and men's sizes, plain or fancy handles ..... $1.48 and $2

Fine Grade Taffeta Silk and All Silk Umbrellas, gold trimmed handles, for ladies and men ..... $3, $4 and $5

SULLIVAN LOST

Defeated by Seiger in Great Battle

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—In one of the hardest fought battles witnessed here this season Joe Seiger of Denver won from Kid Sullivan of Washington in 10 rounds ebfore the Eureka A. C. Sullivan was game, but his opponent was too strong and gradually wore the Washingtonian down to almost a state of helplessness. The contest was fairly even for six rounds, but after this Seiger had the better of the argument and Sullivan's seconds threw up the sponge in the 10th.

FAST ALL THE WAY

LAWRENCE, Dec. 17.—A large crowd attended the weekly meeting of the Unity club last night and witnessed 12 rounds of fast boxing between Kid Mercier of Lawrence and Kid Shea of Hallowell, Me. The referee called it a draw.

Kid Lafleur of Haverhill won over Young Ryan of Lawrence in the second round; Young Dionne beat Young Mulvey of Lowell and Kid Murphy of Lawrence fought a fast six-round draw.

Jimmy Burke of this city was referee.

HOUCK POUNDS LOCKE

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 17.—Leo Houck of Lancaster gave Kid Locke of Philadelphia a terrible lacing last night but did not have the steam necessary to send him to the woods. Kid held his own in the first round, but the next two were easily Houck's, who gave Locke a severe gruelling on the ropes in the infighting.

In the sixth the gong found the Philadelphian strong and fighting hard, avoiding Houck's knockout blow.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

Court Wamesit, Foresters of America, met in regular session last night in Weavers' hall, Chief Ranger E. A. Santos presiding. Five applications for membership were received and three new members were initiated. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Chief ranger, E. A. Santos; sub chief ranger, Henry Draper; treasurer, John E. Maguire; financial secretary, Thomas F. Garvey; recording secretary, James White; senior woodward, Geo. Murphy; junior woodward, James Gill; junior beadle, James Farrell; physician, Dr. James E. Leary.

M. U. Odd Fellows

The regular meeting of Victoria lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., was held last night. There was a large attendance and considerable business was transacted, the most important of which was the election of officers for the ensuing year which resulted as follows:

N. G., Mrs. A. Fletcher; V. G., Mrs. C. Lyness; P. S., Mrs. J. Scoble; treasurer, Mrs. M. E. Siddell; E. S., Miss Ida Boughton; warden, Mrs. A. Worth; chapain, Mrs. M. McIntyre; conductor, Miss E. Spilling; pianist, Miss M. Davies; chief of staff, Mrs. J. Scoble; delegate, Mrs. M. E. Siddell.

GENERAL WOOD, THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FOR CHIEF OF ARMY, AND MRS. WOOD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The announcement here that Major General Leonard Wood, commander of the department of the east, is President Taft's choice for chief of staff of the army to succeed Brigadier General J. Franklin Bell, whose detail is soon to expire, has caused no end of talk in army circles. When he assumes his exalted post General Wood will have established an almost unparalleled record for rapid promotion. In twelve years he will have risen from assistant surgeon with the rank of captain to the head of the army. Here is General Wood's record: June, 1884, graduated from Harvard Medical school; in 1886 appointed from civil life to lieutenant and assistant surgeon, U. S. A.; January, 1891, promoted to captain and assistant surgeon; May, 1898, appointed colonel of the First cavalry, United States volunteers, known as the rough riders; July 8, 1898, promoted to be brigadier general for services at Las Guasimas and San Juan Hill; Dec. 7, 1898, promoted to be major general, United States volunteers; April 13, 1898, honorably discharged from the volunteers organized to meet the emergency of the Spanish-American war and the same day reappointed to the special organization of volunteers necessitated by the Philippine uprising as a brigadier general; Dec. 5, 1899, made major general of volunteers; Feb. 4, 1901, appointed brigadier general, U. S. A.; Aug. 8, 1903, appointed major general, U. S. A.

MADE TARGET RECORD

MOBILE, Dec. 17.—During the recent target practice at Ft. Forgan, the 90th coast artillery is said to have established a record for that branch of the service. Firing twelve inch mortars at targets 5500 yards out in the gulf at intervals of 40 seconds, twelve targets were hit out of 14 shots.

Who Saw the Accident?

Will the person who saw a man thrown from car at corner of Chestnut and Nesmith sts. on August 11th last, kindly send particulars to M. J. J., Sun Office.

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Dainty "Chic" Undermuslins

In a pretty box make acceptable

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Large assortment and the prices, as usual, less than asked for inferior goods.

The only store in Lowell selling "Chic" Underwear.

The "CHIC" Shop

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YOU WILL FIND THIS STORE WELL EQUIPPED TO SERVE YOU WITH THE HIGHEST GRADE GOODS

As for prices, the reputation which we have gained by a half century of business in this city is an assurance that we are never undersold. We invite you to put on your list for Christmas—

PERFUMES—We have them, both domestic and the finest imported. **TOILET REQUISITES**—All the standard articles in this line, including the celebrated Madame Yale products, which are now being demonstrated here. **MANICURE SETS**—Our line of these goods is unequalled in Lowell. **MEDICINE CABINETS**—We are showing an exceedingly attractive cabinet, which when filled with household remedies, makes a most acceptable gift. **CIGARS**—We carry all the best grades and those ladies who wish to present their husbands or sweethearts a fine box of cigars can obtain here, a box that will please. **BOX CANDIES**—The goods which we carry in this department are the high quality kind, pure and wholesome, attractively put up. **JUST CALL**—You will be likely to see many other things which will make most acceptable holiday gifts.

Bring your physicians' prescriptions to this Drug Store and they will be properly compounded with the purest ingredients.

A. W. DOWS & CO.

—Leading Druggists—

IN THE NEW STORE ON THE OLD CORNER

WHITE ARRESTED

Assault With Intent to Kill, is the Charge

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 17.—Joseph D. White of North Bend street was arrested Wednesday night and placed in jail, charged with assault with intent to kill.

He is charged with assaulting January Ploof, his father-in-law, who dropped dead Wednesday afternoon at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Delia Lucca of North avenue. Mr. Ploof, who was 74 years old, is said to have died from the effects of injuries received at the hands of Mr. White on the evening of Dec. 9, the time of the alleged assault.

It is charged that White beat and knocked down the deceased with a club, hitting Mr. Ploof partly on the body and partly on the head. The alleged assault occurred at Mr. White's home. It is further charged that White beat the deceased with his fists.

At the time of the assault White was arrested on two charges, intoxication and breach of the peace. He made arrangements to pay the fines and costs and until Wednesday evening was at liberty.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, wish to thank all those who by their many acts of kindness helped to lessen our sorrow in the hour of our bereavement, and also those who so kindly sent flowers.

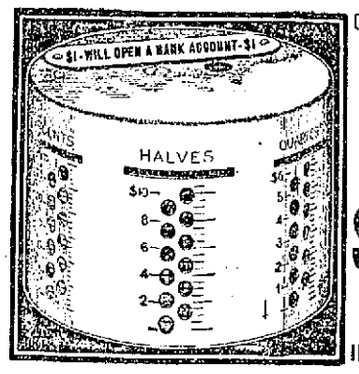
John McCann and family,
Miss Eliza Greenall,
Mrs. Alice Needham.

Dancing at Prescott hall, tonight.

FAMOUS CHARACTER DEAD

COLORADO SPRINGS, Dec. 17.—John Hopkins, once a famous character throughout the west, died in the El Paso county asylum yesterday, aged 87. He was born near Springfield, Ill., and was the first man to drive the historic express that carried the mail overland from St. Louis to Frisco.

The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank



Corner Merrimack and John Streets.

Give each of the children a

Home Savings Bank

FOR CHRISTMAS

INTEREST BEGINS JAN. 1st.

$11.50—IF YOU WERE SURE—$11.50

That for $11.50 I could make you a better suit of clothes than you could get at any tailor shop in New England for $20, would you come in today, this evening or Saturday and get measured?

IF NOT This advertisement is wasted as far as you personally are concerned.

ATTENTION The claim is made by many that a custom made suit or overcoat cannot be built for less than $15. This is practically true, BUT BY BUYING MY GOODS DIRECT FROM THE MANUFACTURERS IN LARGE LOTS, as I and I alone of all tailors do for SPOT CASH, I save the middleman's profit of from 30 to 50 per cent., which amounts to from $4.50 to $7.50 on each suit or overcoat. My purpose and full intention has been to share with the lover of custom made clothes, this great advantage I possess in obtaining my merchandise.

On Tuesday last I closed out at my own price for spot cash 36 pieces of fancy suitings, all the latest styles and shades, that would cost the average tailor who buys suit patterns, from $3.25 to $4.10 a yard, making it impossible for him to build a suit from such goods for less than $20 to $25. Remember 36 whole pieces of the finest woolens you ever saw, mostly heavy weight, some medium weight suitable for all year round wear. I invite every man in Lowell to see and handle these goods. If you don't want a suit now it will educate you in future buying, and it's no harm to look. Samples cheerfully given.

My Best Ads. are Worn, Not Written.
Will Make These to Your Order, Fit, Workmanship, Satisfaction in Every Detail Guaranteed.

Suit or Overcoat to Order $11.50

$11.50 MITCHELL, The Tailor, 24 Central St. $11.50

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WAS FOUND DEAD

Chicago Woman Hanged Herself in Her Home

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Lillian Zeller, a stenographer, daughter of J. W. Zeller, 21 Sanborn avenue, Big Rapids, Mich., was found dead last midnight hanging to a gas chandelier of a room on the fifth floor of the Palmer house. She had hanged herself with a sheet. The room was occupied, according to the hotel register, by A. W. Morse, Chicago representative of a Harrisburg, Pa., concern.

Morse said that he had known Miss Zeller for six years. He met her at her home. He believed her to be married. She came to his room early yesterday morning and complained of despondency, according to Morse. He had left her there to rest, he said, while he went out to attend to some business. On his return last midnight he found the body hanging in the room.

Miss Zeller was identified by a receipt for room rent at a family hotel. A note found on the girl's body read: "Generally when you make a mistake you are supposed to correct it, but if it is a matrimonial (here a word is blurred) you are expected to deny it and stick it out."

The girl has been employed by a labor agency. Morse will be held by the police as a witness at the inquest.

EXTRA DIVIDEND

AND SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND DECLARED

The Lowell Bleachery has declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent. and an extra dividend of 10 per cent., payable Jan. 1, 1910, on stock of record Dec. 6, 1909.

Bright, Sears & Co.
BANKERS AND BROKERS
Wyman's Exchange
SECOND FLOOR

IMPORTANT
Order Early Do It Now
Owing to the large increase of orders for Ice Cream on holidays, we are compelled to announce that no orders will be taken for Christmas Day after 9 p. m. Thursday, Dec. 23.
When giving your order, please have it repeated to you, and be sure and state at what time it is to be used.
Telephone 134. D. L. PAGE CO.

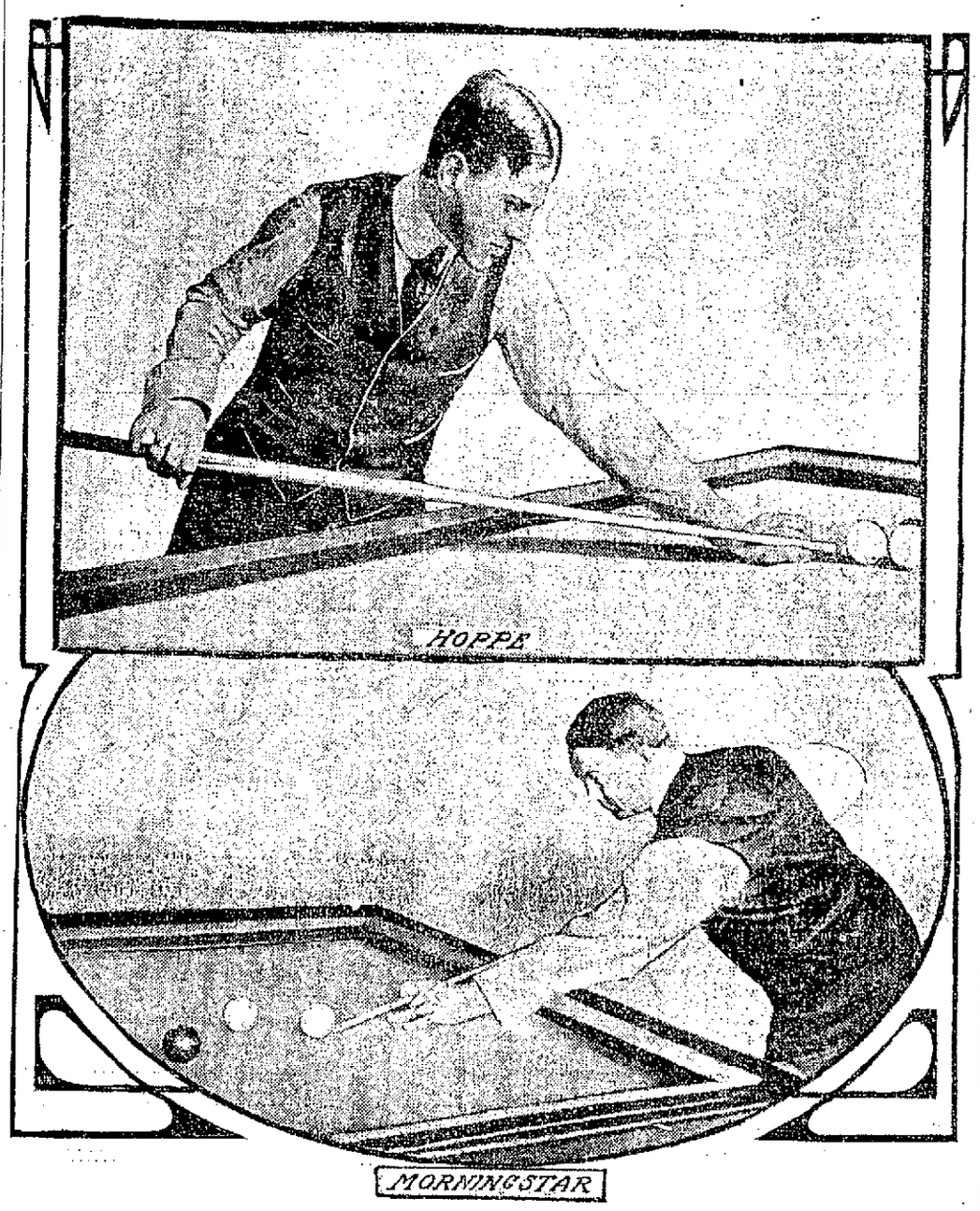
Geo. H. Wood

The crowds are gathering as usual at our old reliable Jewelry House, 137 to 151 Central street. This they have been doing for more than thirty years, as the trading public has the utmost confidence in us and knows that what we advertise is true. We haven't the time to write advertisements and tell the grandeur of our stock. Everybody knows that we are the only retail and wholesale jewelry dealers in Lowell. The early bird catches the worm.

Our specialty from now until after Christmas for morning customers is a lot of beautiful white diamonds which we will sell for $22.50, the regular cost being $25.00. We will also sell 25 solid gold Waltham watches to early morning callers for $16.00. These are regular $25.00 and $33.00 watches. Call today and look over our store.

George H. Wood's Jewelry Store
137 TO 151 CENTRAL STREET.

TWO EXPERT BILLIARD PLAYERS WHO WILL CROSS CUES FOR CHANCE AT 18.2 TITLE



CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—After fighting for more than two years to have the rules governing championship billiard matches revised to suit his own particular notions Willie Hoppe, the youthful expert, recently capitulated to the so called trust and with Ora Morningstar, another "insurgent," signed a contract pledging himself to renew the old allegiance with the powers that be. This removes the last bar in the way of a match between Hoppe and Calvin Demarest, the winner of the recent tournament for the 18.2 balk line title. Though he has given up his fight, Hoppe will find himself more or less on the outside for a year or more. He will play a match with Morningstar in Chicago Jan. 1 to determine which shall have the privilege of issuing the next challenge to the champion, but even there Hoppe will find himself balked. Demarest has already agreed to meet Harry Cline for the title at Chicago on Feb. 1, 2 and 3, and when the word was passed that Hoppe was weakening and would probably be in line within a few days Albert Cutler, the Boston player, immediately shot in a challenge to meet the winner of the Demarest-Cline match. Under the rules the winner of the match between Demarest and Cline will have sixty days in which to make up his mind to play Cutler should he succeed in defeating Cline. This would put off any match with Hoppe until away along in June. It is hardly probable that a game at that time of the year would appeal to either the players or the promoters, so it is almost a certainty that Hoppe will be forced to wait until next fall at the earliest for a chance at Demarest. In many quarters it is claimed that Hoppe has lost some of his skill that made him famous. However, his game with Morningstar will surely show whether he has or not.

ON STRIKE AGAIN

1800 Polanders Quit Their Work in Ludlow Mills Today

LUDLOW, Dec. 17.—Peace plans went awry today at the bagging mills of the Ludlow Mfg. associates for the 1800 Polanders who returned to work after a strike of several weeks' duration had scarcely got settled in their places when a fresh misunderstanding developed and they all walked out again. Following this action the temper of the strikers became such that the town authorities summoned all of the available police, special officers and deputy sheriffs to assist in maintaining order.

The strikers claimed that they returned to the mill under a misapprehension of the working terms. The plan agreed upon by the members of the state board of conciliation and arbitration, representatives of the mills and representatives of the strikers at a conference here yesterday provided that the strikers return to work at the wages offered by the company, 20 cents per hundred yards of woven cloth. The original strike was against the reduction of four cents in this figure. The agreement reached yesterday provided that the 20 cent rate be kept in force until a final adjustment of the differences was reached.

The strikers claim that they were not correctly informed as to the arrangement, but had been given to understand that they would be paid 24 cents.

The women who had returned today after participating in the strike with the men also became indignant, quit their machines and later made a demand on their own account for higher wages.

In a short time the streets in the vicinity of the mills were filled with a sullen, angry crowd of strikers and threats of violence against the strike-breakers were made openly. So threatening did the situation become that a hurry call was sent out to assemble as soon as possible every available policeman, special officer and deputy sheriff for the purpose of preserving order.

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J. G. SULLIVAN'S
10c Cigar
Now packed in boxes of 25 for the holidays. For sale by all first-class dealers.

Search Where You Will
You will not find a more complete stock of Groceries to select from for Christmas than we are able to offer.

Nuts of all kinds
Nut Meats
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Cherry Prunes
Black Prunes
Table Raisins
Sultana Raisins
Sweet Cider
Rolled Cider
Chocolate Crackers
Huntley & Palmers
English Biscuit
French Cherries
Angelica
French Assorted Fruit
Glace Sliced Pineapple
Plum Pudding
Crystalized Ginger
Miss Nourse's Pure Jellies
Franco-American Soup
French Peas
Mushrooms
String Beans
Wax Beans
Asparagus, etc.

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THE MERRIMACK SQUARE GROCERS.

FOR NEW PARISH

Archbishop O'Connell Purchases Estate in Highlands

For Catholic Chapel and Parochial Residence in Stevens St., Between Pine and Parker—Papers Were Passed This Week

The Catholic residents of the Highlands will be pleased to learn that Archbishop O'Connell has, this week, purchased land in Stevens street for the purpose of erecting a chapel and establishing a branch of St. Peter's parish in that locality.

The papers were passed early in the week through Herford N. Elliott of the real estate firm of T. H. Elliott & Son and the property is the beautiful Arthur W. Hunking estate at 374 Stevens street on the easterly side of the street midway between Pine and Parker streets. It consists of 46,000 feet of land and a ten room residence. It is assessed for $7350.

The property is particularly well located by reason of the fact that it is in front of property owned by Frank Harris of the Lowell Automobile company which the latter has developed in an elaborate degree. Mr. Harris has recently cut through a street running parallel with Stevens street so that the church property will front on two streets. Furthermore Mr. Harris has laid out a beautiful park just in the rear of the property and with the large amount of land purchased there will be a fine opportunity to develop the grounds surrounding the new chapel. It is understood that the present residence will be used as a parochial residence while a chapel will be erected within a short time.

BOWLING NEWS

Y. M. C. U. Defeated the Belvideres

The Y. M. C. U. bowling team defeated the Belvideres last night in a game in the Catholic league, winning all three strings. McNulty of the winning team was high man with a triple of 286.

In the game between Teams Eight and Ten of the Y. M. C. I. league the former team won two of the three points.

There were two games played in the Manufacturers' league. The game between the Merrimack and Appleton teams resulted in a victory for the former team while the Massachusetts-Lawrence Two teams game also went the same way, the former team winning.

In the Bunting league Team Four won two of the three points from Team Two.

Low scores marked the game between the Carriers and Pneumatics of the Lamson league, the Carriers winning all three points.

The scores:

CATHOLIC LEAGUE

Y. M. C. U.

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Crowley	99	79	94	272
L'Heureux	101	83	92	276
Grandfield	78	93	77	248
McNulty	98	101	87	286
Sheehy	81	98	91	270
Totals	457	454	441	1352

Belvideres

Curry	107	86	87	280
Murren	83	85	87	255
Clark	99	86	90	275
Gilligan	80	98	82	260
Vice	84	85	88	257
Totals	453	440	434	1327

Y. M. C. I. TOURNAMENT

Team Eight

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Talbot	94	97	81	272
Tully	84	96	94	274
Tansey	73	69	61	203
Doyle	90	83	83	256
Sub	68	72	78	218
Totals	409	417	397	1223

Team Ten

Farrington	91	84	98	273
Clark	68	72	87	227
Ahearn	75	80	78	233
Moran	90	84	105	279
Sub	73	69	61	203
Totals	397	389	429	1215

MANUFACTURERS' LEAGUE

Merrimack

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Walmsley	97	92	87	276
Armitstead	93	81	92	266
Pickup	82	94	79	255
Duvoll	84	67	92	243
Fullerton	94	96	85	275
Totals	450	430	435	1315

Appleton

Marsden	87	77	90	254
Lyons	88	90	74	252
Carroll	96	85	80	261
Hollowaite	94	74	71	239
Bowen	99	91	88	278
Totals	464	417	403	1284

Massachusetts

Webster	91	91	91	273
Fitchett	80	80	78	238
Harrington	78	71	74	223
Read	81	89	89	259
Cove	83	90	97	270
Totals	413	421	429	1263

Lawrence Two

Pillsbury	76	78	87	241
Peacock	73	79	78	230
Bell	94	92	85	271
Burke	85	95	79	259
Green	82	80	81	243
Totals	410	424	410	1244

BUNTING LEAGUE

Team Two

	1	2	3	Tt'l
Gleason	75	66	84	225
Bailey	76	76	83	233
Shrigley	84	89	99	272
W. Ogden	85	91	79	255
Riley	89	82	88	259
Totals	408	403	433	1244

Team Four

Helliwell	87	88	87	256
Jacques	80	82	76	238
O'Neil	86	85	89	260
Sharkey	78	86	106	270
Buckley	94	106	68	268
Totals	419	447	426	1292

LAMSON LEAGUE

In a poor game in the Lamson C. S. S. league Crescent alleys, string

Carriers

	1	2	3	Tt'l
McCullough	87	88	75	250
Reynolds	90	78	83	251
Goss	90	88	79	257
Grant	82	63	84	229
Normandy	74	83	94	251
Totals	423	400	415	1238

Pneumatics

Burndrett	76	68	70	214
Cummings	83	79	66	228
Brousseau	81	73	72	226
Murphy	73	89	88	250
Burns	99	80	79	258
Totals	412	389	375	1176

"LOVELY WINTER"

COMMON MISTAKE ABOUT SEASON OF THE YEAR

"What a lovely winter we're having," one hears on all sides.

It may be that we're going to have a lovely winter when it comes, but as a matter of fact winter does not arrive until Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock. This is a lovely fall.

AT ST. PETER'S

HOLY NAME SOCIETY HELD INTERESTING MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of St. Peter's Holy Name society was held in the Fair hall last evening with a large attendance of members present. President Wm. F. Daly presided. Owing to the absence of Secretary Word, Patrick J. Frawley was chosen secretary pro tem. There were several propositions for membership submitted, and accepted. A committee of ten was appointed to make arrangements for the quarterly communion breakfast of the society in January. It was announced by Pres. Daly that the annual election of officers will take place at the next meeting. Two committees to nominate candidates were appointed. After remarks were delivered by the spiritual director, Rev. John F. Burns, Pres. Daly and Financial Secretary M. H. McDonough the meeting adjourned.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

3 Ayredale Terriers
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REGISTERED STOCK
INQUIRE OF HENRY MANGAN,
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DR. HAMILTON

Testifies Against His Daughter

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Five of seven corespondents named in a Brooklyn divorce case sat complacently in court yesterday and heard the testimony of Rev. Dr. Jay Benson Hamilton, who was the chief witness against his daughter, Mrs. Etta Martin, the defendant.

Dr. Hamilton told how he pleaded with Mrs. Martin to mend her ways, after he had discovered her alleged indiscretions from her diary.

As he testified the five corespondents present sat behind the woman with whom they are accused of misconduct and scribbled frequent notes in memorandum books.

DRACUT PASTOR

REV. E. C. BARTLETT TENDERED RECEPTION BY HIS CHURCH

Rev. Ernest C. Bartlett, the recently appointed pastor of the Dracut Centre church, and Mrs. Bartlett were tendered a reception last night by the members of the church. During the course of the evening several hundred people were in attendance, an enjoyable program was carried out and refreshments were served.

Rev. J. T. Carlyon, of the Centralville M. E. church; Rev. T. A. Carlson, of the Hillside church, and Rev. Forrester A. Macdonald of the Fifth Street Baptist church were present throughout the evening; also Rev. E. V. Bigelow of Lowell and Rev. Mr. Carver of Dracut. On the platform and assisting Rev. and Mrs. Bartlett in receiving were Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Fox.

The ushers of the evening were Henry Peabody, Chester Lake, Arthur Stevens, Lionel Udell, Prince Coburn, Edward Johnson and Clinton Fox.

Mrs. Bert Smithson, president of the Ladies' Aid society, assisted by Mrs. Henry Peabody, vice president, had general charge of the arrangements of the program for the reception.

Those serving refreshments were: Mrs. Henry Coburn, Mrs. Granville Coburn, Mrs. Alton Bryant, Mrs. Asa Stickney, Mrs. Florence Otley, Mrs. Joseph Carpenter, Mrs. Jesse Currier and Mrs. Albert Fox.

Mrs. R. S. Fox and Mrs. M. L. Lurvey had charge of the decorations, Miss Pearl Morgan, violin, and Miss Gladys Whitmore, piano, dispensed an excellent musical program during the evening.

Fancy candlesticks, Welch Bros.

Brass goods are all the rage this fall. The greatest assortment; almost everything made of brass can be found at the Thompson Hardware company.

AN APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS GREETING

Cardinal Gibbons' Christmas sentiment over his facsimile autograph, in the form of a dainty Xmas card folder, with envelope, all ready to mail. This can be found at Prince's book store, along with a lot of other beautiful designs in cards.

COOK, TAYLOR & CO.

Merrimack Street Store

OUR GRAND DISPLAY

OF

Useful Christmas Goods

NOW READY AT THE LOWEST PRICES NAMED BY ANY HOUSE IN LOWELL.

Ladies' Pretty Tailored Suits at Jan. Prices

50 Fine Serge, Cheviot and Broadcloth Suits, latest styles, all sizes, Friday and Saturday **$8.98 each.** Every suit well worth $18.50.

100 Ladies' High Grade Sample Suits, finest materials, made to sell as high as $25.00. For Friday and Saturday **$12.98 each.**

350 Ladies', Misses' and Children's Choice Coats, plain and fancy. Just closed out this lot from a large manufacturer at half price. Friday and Saturday prices as follows:

50 Girls', age 13 to 18, Fine Kersey Coats, plain and mixture, **$3.98,** from $8.50.

100 Children's Bear Skin Coats, white, blue, brown, green and gray, **$1.98,** regular price $3.98.

75 Ladies' Long or Short Heavy Kersey Coats, satin lined, loose or tight fitting, **$3.98,** from **$10.00.**

About 125 Special Choice Coats, Drummer's Samples, some sold as high as $25.00. For this sale **$10.00.**

Dress Skirts for **$1.25.** Black broadcloth. Worth $2.50.

Caracul Coats, long or short, **$12.98,** value $20.00.

Ladies' Pretty Short Flannelette Kimonas, **50c and $1.00.** Very prettily trimmed; put up in boxes.

Ladies' Long Kimonas, a very choice assortment for **69c, 98c $1.50 and $1.98.**

Ladies' Very Pretty Fleecedown Bath Robes, **$1.98,** regular price $3.00.

Children's Pretty Fleecedown Bath Robes, **$1.50,** from $2.50.

Ladies' Choice Muslin Underwear, put up in boxes; no extra charge for boxes; consisting of Corset Covers, Drawers, Chemise, Night Robes and Combinations, at **Special Low Prices.**

350 dozen Heavy Ideal and Reliance Wrappers and House Dresses. Special. This **$1.00** Wrapper and House Dress, well worth $1.50. We can show you more wrappers than any house in New England outside Boston. Our prices, styles and sizes always correct. Sizes up to 52.

Our Apron Department loaded down. Working Aprons of pretty ginghams, percales and mercerized cottons, extra large with sleeves, bibs, etc., at prices from **10c up to 50c.**

500 Dozen White Lawn Muslin and Lawnsdale, the largest and best lawn apron ever shown by us. Hemstitched with pocket, for **25c.**

Tea Aprons, **25c, 39c, 50c, 69c and 98c.** Compare our styles and prices before you buy. Pretty boxes thrown in on 50c aprons or over.

Kid Gloves for Men, Women and Children, at rock bottom prices.

Our Special **69c** Fine Kid Glove, in all colors, is well worth $1.

Our **$1.00** Glove is well worth $1.25.

25 Dozen Ladies' Fine Mocha Lined Lisle Gloves, for this sale at **35c each,** in boxes. Have always sold for 50c.

Extraordinary values in Sweaters for men, women and Children. We can give you any color, price or size, at **49c, 50c, 69c, 98c, up to $5.00.** The best assortment we have ever shown.

FURS! FURS! FURS!

Owing to the warm weather we have marked our immense stock of Furs for Ladies, Misses and Children at January prices.

Children's pretty Sets, **69c,** were $1.50.

Ladies' Muffs, **$1.25,** from $2.50.

Ladies' White Sets, **$10.00,** from $20.00.

Black Lynx Sets, **$12.98,** from $25.00.

50 Dozen Ladies' Fine Natural Wool and Camel's Hair Underwear, pure wool goods, all sizes, for **50c;** never sold less than $1.00.

Handkerchiefs for Men, Women and Children at special prices.

Ladies' Comb Sets, Garters, Shawls, Collars, Men's Ties, Suspenders, Garters, Armlets, etc. Full line of new, pretty goods—prices right.

For new, pretty, clean, fresh Christmas goods, see us.

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Merrimack Street Store

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214 Merrimack Street

We issue them for a Dollar and Up

One Of The World's

Most prominent men used to say: "Oh, so much to be done, and so little time to do it." It was because he accomplished so much that he saw so much still ahead to do—it is only the busy man who has time to do things. Christmas shoppers may say the same thing. The time is always short at Christmas to distribute so many goods, but this busy little shop, so accustomed to handling such a large business, is the very shop that can serve you best, individually. The early morning hours are the golden ones—but it will be our pleasure to serve you at your convenience.

Handkerchiefs The Dainty Kind

If Handkerchiefs are uppermost in your mind, just remember the Home of Handkerchief Goodness and Values. We invite inspection and welcome comparison—that's the best way of getting at the facts for yourselves, and the only common sense way of determining qualities and relative values.

Women's Pure Irish Hemstitched Linen, Initial, value $1.00, per box of six 75c

Women's Pure Irish Hemstitched Linen, very fine texture, value 17c .... 12½c each

Women's Pure Irish Linen, also lawns with dainty lace edge, value 19c .... 12½c each

Women's Embroidered Hemstitched Lawns, value 17c .... 12½c each

Women's Embroidered Hemstitched Linens, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00

Women's Hand Embroidered Corners, hemstitched linens .... 25c and 50c

Women's Lace Edge, dainty patterns, 50c, 75c, $1.00 up to $5.00

Men's Pure Linen, initial, 6 to a box 75c

Men's pure Linen, plain, each 12½c, 25c, 50c

Men's Pure Linen, initial, 25c each, box of 6 .... $1.50

Children's Handkerchiefs in beautiful Christmas boxes, 3 in each box .... 15c and 25c

Christmas Neckwear

Buyers anxious to procure the dainty things must buy now—there's little chance of your picking up just what you want if you wait too long. Stock depletion will be the proper thing from now on.

Hand Embroidered Rabats, all colors .. 25c and 50c

Lace, Muslin and Irish Crochet Rabats, 25c to $1.50

Silk and Lace Trimmed Stocks .... 25c to $1.50

Venise and Irish Crochet Stocks .... 25c and 50c

Boxed Cord Ruching, 6 neck lengths, 25c and 50c

Collar and Cuff Sets, Swiss embroidery, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00

Belts In Christmas Boxes

There may be bigger Belt stocks to choose from in Lowell, but there's none better for quality, value or desirability. We invite everybody thinking seriously of the belt question to get in touch with our stock and see what we're offering at, 50c, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50

Gloves of Quality

Quality is a factor in all merchandise, but we know of nothing more important than quality in GLOVES—Miley's gloves are the best money and brains can produce at the prices charged for the respective qualities and our liberal guarantee stands behind every pair, whether $1.00 or $5.00.

Women's gloves, all kinds all prices each the best of their class .... $1.00 to $5.00

Men's Gloves

Men's Gloves, reindeer or dogskin $1.50

Men's Gloves, Scotch double wool, Dent's, $1.50

Children's unlined and lined kid, ... $1.00, $1.25

Children's Scotch wool gloves 25c, 50c

Children's Cashmere Gloves 25c

Hosiery, Silk and Lisle

Our Christmas Hosiery Values are the best obtainable anywhere in the United States, and you may rest assured at all times you'll never find a price lower than ours for goods of equal quality.

Christmas Specials consist of black silk stockings, spliced lisle soles, heels and toes and double lisle garter tops, excellent value. ....$1.00 pair

Buy three pairs plain lisle 50c stockings and save 50c. Three pairs in fancy Christmas boxes for $1.00

Instead of $1.50.

New shipment embroidered lisle, beautiful patterns. Special .... 50c pair

Holiday Waists

The new December models just arrived, embody advanced ideas for 1910.

Linen, Lawn, Batiste, French Serge and Scotch Flannel. New patterns $1.95

Other models in finer fabrics and more elaborate trimmings, ... $2.95, $3.95, $5.00

For those who appreciate good value at 95c, we have taken three numbers formerly sold for $1.50, broken sizes, and offer them with our regular line at 95c

ANNUAL DANCE

The annual social and dance of the Lennox club was held last night at Associate hall. There was a large attendance and an enjoyable time was had by those who attended. Music for dancing was furnished by Kittredge's orchestra.

The success of the affair was due to the work of the following officials:

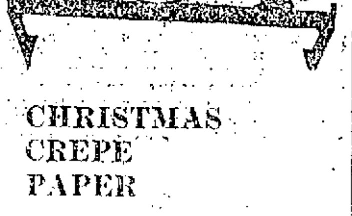
General manager, John Gregoire; assistant general manager, Horace Landry; floor director, William Langton; assistant floor director, Peter Andreoli; chief aid, H. Bechard; assistant chief aid, Charles Cochran; aids, J. Ahearn, A. Berard, G. Richard, J. Berard, J. Tucke, J. White, R. Swan, J. Ryan, W. Murphy, J. Ford, W. Berard, E. Deslanders; Miss Carrie Tilton, Miss Tillie Landry, Miss Birdie Ross, Miss May Connelly, Miss Josie Landry, Miss Sadie Higgins, Miss Nora Reagan, Miss May Rourke, Miss Margaret Boyle, Miss Kittie Kennedy, Miss Annie Kennedy, Miss Laura Pierce; treasurer, Fred Gregoire.

CARD OF THANKS

The undersigned desire to thank their many friends and neighbors for the great kindness shown them during their affliction on the death of their little daughter, Florence. They are particularly grateful for the many floral offerings sent by friends and relatives, particularly the employes of the Lawrence warp room, the Lamson C. S. S. bowling league, Jas. Doyle, Marion Devine, Miss Naud and others. To one and all they are deeply grateful and will ever hold their kindness in grateful remembrance.

(Signed)

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Gendron.



CHRISTMAS CREPE PAPER

For Holiday decorations. All successful hostesses who seek effect use it.

Plain 10c Roll
Fancy 15c Roll

Crepe Paper Napkins

Bearing Christmas suggestions in fancy fast colored decorations.

6c a Dozen
40c a Hundred

C. B. COBURN CO.

63 Market Street.

SEN. LODGE, PROBABLE NEW AMBASSADOR TO GREAT BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—It is currently reported in diplomatic circles that Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts will succeed Whitelaw Reid as ambassador to Great Britain. It is said the post was offered to Senator Lodge a year ago by President Roosevelt. The plan to make Senator Lodge ambassador fell through at the time because the senator, while not absolutely declining, induced Mr. Roosevelt to hold the appointment in abeyance. Even now Senator Lodge may not be willing to accept the post. His senatorial term will expire on March 4, 1911. There is no doubt that President Taft would be glad to send the senator to London if he could be induced to accept. There is a growing belief that with the retirement of Ambassador Reid, James Bryce, the British ambassador at Washington, will also be recalled. The British government is reputed to be merely waiting to see the type of ambassador that the United States will send to London before a new representative at Washington is selected.

Christmas lamps at Welch Bros.

MONTH'S MIND MASS

There will be a month's mind mass at St. Patrick's church at 8 o'clock tomorrow morning for the late Mrs. Bessie McKenzie, daughter of Mrs. McCrann and sister of the magician, Larry McCrann.

Mrs. Anna E. P. Quinlan of New York is the guest of Mrs. Mary Callahan of 60 Bartlett street. Mrs. Quinlan will be remembered by her Lowell friends as Miss Anna Murray.

A PRESENT THAT LASTS

A practical present for a man is a safety razor. They last a lifetime and are of use every day or nearly so. Everyone we sell we guarantee. From $1.00 to $7.50, the latter being a combination case. We have the Gem, Gem Junior, Gillette in a dozen different styles, including the famous Vest Pocket Edition, the Auto-Strop, the razor that strops itself and the Ever Ready. Toilet water, shaving soaps and sticks, lather brushes, including a large line of Rubbersets, Strops, extra blades, stropping machines and everything for the shaver in abundance. Howard, the Druggist, 197 Central street. (One dose relieves the worst cough—Pine Balm.)

Nelson's Colonial Store

The Easiest Place in Town to Do Your Christmas Shopping

These Interesting Items For Saturday Traders

VISIT OUR

Grocery Department

In the Daylight Basement

Sultana Raisins, a lb. 15c	Van Camp's Milk, a can, 5c and 10c
Fresh Red Raspberries, a can 18c	Snider's Oyster Cocktail Sauce, a can. 17c and 25c
Rainbow Sardines, a can 15c, 20c, 25c and 40c	Hecker's Cream Farina, 12½c each, 2 for 25c
Lutz & Schramm's Pure Jellies, each 10c	Olives, plain and stuffed, a pint 20c
Heinz's Mine Meat, a lb. 18c	
Good Raisins, a lb. 10c	

Combination Offer

Best Tomatoes, one can ....
Finest Corn, one can ....
Superior Peas, one can ....
All For 25c

Frou Frou—The new Swiss cookie, the daintiest cookie ever made, per pound 58c

High qualities Teas and Coffees are always carried at the very lowest prices.

Don't Forget to Notice These Articles On the Third Floor.

$2.25 FOR WAKEFIELD WORK BASKETS

A celebrated make at a low price, constructed of selected reeds, two compartments, with cover to upper one. Colors, green, natural and brown.

Waste Baskets—Neat idea with mission wood frames, covered with fancy silkalines, selling at 49c

Smokers' Stands—Of mission wood, stands twenty-two inches high with removable brass ash tray, match scratcher, brass match box holder, brass receiver for lighted cigars, at $1.95

Clothes Poles—Finished in antique and weathered oak, fitted with wood pins, selling at 97c

$2.95 CHILD'S DESK AND CHAIR

Any boy or girl would be pleased with a nice desk in mission or golden oak finish. All solid oak, stands 28 inches high. The price is low.

Children's Rockers—In golden oak .... 69c to $1.49

Rattan Rockers for children .... $1.00 to $3.98

FOURTH FLOOR

CHRISTMAS HINTS

The Holiday Gift Problem is Solved With a

Bissell's Carpet Sweeper

Makes a useful, appropriate and pleasing present for Christmas and will be a constant reminder of the giver for ten years or more. Prices .... $2.25, $2.50 and $3.00

Shirt Waist Boxes

We show an excellent line of these very useful articles at different prices. Always desirable for presents.

Green Burlap Covered Boxes—Come in three sizes, at $1.57, $1.97 and $2.47

Matting Covered Boxes—Three different sizes, at $1.87, $2.75 and $3.25

Axminster and Wilton Rugs—Size 27x54 inches. Priced $1.95

Our Mammoth Third Floor TOY DEPARTMENT

Here you will find everything to please the child in the toy line. The variety greater and better than ever. We only carry those toys which are serviceable and durable. Our low prices will please the parents as much as the toys themselves, will please the children.

Partial List Of Toys:

FRENCH DOLLS	MECHANICAL TOYS
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DOLLS' DINNER SETS	TOOL CHESTS
DOLLS' BEDS	BOYS' SLEDS
DOLL CARRIAGES	ROCKING HORSES
TOY RANGES	IRON TOYS
TOY PIANOS	DUTCH TOYS

Swift running elevators to every floor. Two easy stair cases to each floor.

Free Deliveries On All Purchases.

IT SAVES TO PAY CASH

COLONIAL BLDG., MERRIMACK AND CENTRAL STS.

LOWELL OPERA HOUSE

At the opera house last night Miss Hattie Williams appeared with a large company in the comedy "Detective Sparkes." There was a fair sized audience and the play which like most others is not without its defects, was very well presented. Miss Williams, however, has appeared to better advantage in other productions on the local stage. The comedy deals with a supposed elopement in an airship so that it has at least the merit of being up to date if not ahead of its time. If it were a little more lively and less burdened with unnecessary detail, it might be more of a success. Miss Williams assumed the role of Athol Forbes and made the most of it. She was supported by Edwin Nicander as "Alick Forbes," Julian Royce as Fred Coleridge, Anne Meredith with about a dozen other members of the cast all doing justice to their respective roles. The cast was as follows:

Lord Axminster	Frank Burbeck
Fred Coleridge	Julian Royce
Alick Forbes	Edwin Nicander
Mr. Smeathe	Percival Aylmer
Colonel Morley	Frank Shannon
Inspector Boroughs	Herbert Budd
Gordon Westwood	F. Owen Baxter
Mr. Fales	Kenneth Hill
Doctor Fry	Harry Barfoot
Harding	L. C. Howard
Baines	James Lounsbery
John	Aubrey Lowell
Henry	C. W. Lewis
Manager of hotel	Wm. Postance
Ferrol	E. J. Norris
Dobbins	W. J. Burns
Policeman	H. Burrows
Hotel clerk	Fred Chipman
Hotel porter	W. Lippinsott
Hilda, Lady Axminster	Anne Meredith
Nellie Fenwick	Vira Stowe
Mary Coleridge	Vida Croly Sidney
Maid	Mary Manly
Athol Forbes	Hattie Williams

"THE YOUNG TURK"

When Maude Raymond finished bowing in response to the applause which followed her spirited ragtime rendition of "I Thought I Wanted Opera, But I've Changed My Mind," at the Colonial theatre, Boston, last week, she came off the stage convulsed with laughter. Max Rogers, star of the piece, "The Young Turk" asked her what was up.

"There's a woman out in the audience that is more fun than I've had for a month of Sundays!" she exclaimed between her laughs. "I've had my eye on her all through the performance, and while everybody around her was roaring at the play, she sat there with a face like a death mask. She looked as sour as the lemonest lemon.

MAUDE RAYMOND,
In "The Young Turk."

"I played right at her, and made up my mind that I'd get a laugh out of her somehow. I almost laughed right in her face, she looked so bored and gloomy and tired of life.

"'Here's a job for your talent,' I said, 'and it was, sure enough. She didn't move an eyelash all through two whole acts, while all the others out there were enjoying the show like sensible. 'Wait till the ragtime opera song,' I said to myself, 'and I'll get that woman started or bust.'

"Well, sir, I sang that song like a limited express train, and I busted out as I never busted out before. That stern face just started as though it was on a tombstone, and I thought I had fallen down on the job, when, all of a sudden, one corner of that woman's mouth went down ever so little, and the sickliest smile I ever saw broke over
broke the monotony of her face, and then beat it, as if apologizing for being present at all. I think I ought to have a medal!"

Miss Raymond considers ragtime, for which she is so famous, the hardest kind of work on the stage, and thinks that compared with it "straight" acting is a summer day's dream.

YIDDISH PLAYERS

At the Opera House tomorrow night the David Kessler Thalia theatre company of New York with Mme. Regina Prager, the greatest Yiddish prima donna, Mr. K. Juveller, the best Yiddish tenor and the clever soubrette, Mme. Clara Young and Mr. Fishkind and others will hold the boards.

One of the best Yiddish performances ever given here will be seen.

PHIL OTT'S COMEDIANS.

The Christmas Day attraction at the Opera House will be Phil Ott's comedians in the merry musical comedy, "The Man and the Mummy," an excellent musical farce interpreted by a clever coterie of comedians, singers, dancers and handsome show girls. A popular scale of prices will prevail for the engagement and seats for both afternoon and evening will go on sale at the box office Monday morning.

HATHAWAY THEATRE

"Love's Young Dream," a charming little comedy, with Emil Hoch in the leading role, is the headline feature at Hathaway's theatre, this week. The sketch holds real wit, excellent situations and an undying love interest. Assisting Mr. Hoch in his act are Antoinette Smart, a good looking, competent actress, and Harlan P. Briggs.

"The Eagle and the Girl" is the title of the novelty recently imported from Paris and which is bound to prove a source of much conjecture to audiences. Not even the stage hands of the theatre know how the novelty is worked. Winfield Douglas and the gingery Musgrove sisters enliven matters with smart singing and dancing. James Brockman is a character impersonator of versatility. Clifford & Burke let loose a flood of rare antics, and Lane & O'Donnell, called the "lunatic tumblers," close the show well. The Hall brothers are athletes of wonderful development. The Hathascope holds good new films.

Performances will be given every afternoon and evening during the remainder of the week, with special seats at the matinees for women.

THEATRE VOYONS

Today's program at the Theatre Voyons is rated by good judges as the best of many months, in fact some say it is the best bill that has ever been offered in Lowell. "The House of Cards" is a western story picture, introducing a plot that is not only new but is really a good one, and one that has been used in part for several notable dramatic productions. "La Grande Bretche" is the best film d'art ever seen, and "Exploits of a Cowboy" is a fine picture of a very clever American. "Willy Boy Gets His" is a roaring comedy, full of laughs and funny situations. The songs, one a solo by Jack Manchester, and the other a duet by James and Lillian Bales are all that is needed to round out a very fine performance.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

The feature act at the Academy of Music this week is "Adam and Eve, the almost human chimpanzees who created such a furore in Boston last year. They act and drink, sit at the table, use their napkins, smoke cigarettes, drink from glasses, and in fact do everything but talk. Miss Mae Maxfield offers a very dainty singing and dancing specialty. In addition to this splendid offering there is one of the moving pictures that is attracting much attention; it is "Jenks the Grouch," and shows one of Lowell's favorites, Al McGovern, in a comedy role. The feature biograph picture is "A Corner in Wheat."

STAR THEATRE

The pictures were changed at the Star theatre today for the third time this week, while two new vaudeville acts were presented Thursday. Singing, talking, dancing and trombone playing are combined in Dotson and Lucas' big double act. Paul Poole, comedy magician, is entertaining. The show is always refined and entertaining; the vaudeville clean and the pictures without gruesome features. The admission of five cents allows a seat.

SHOE MEN DINED

OFFICIALS OF LOCAL SHOPS AT NEW AMERICAN

An enjoyable banquet was held at the New American house last night under the auspices of the superintendents and foremen of various shoe manufacturing concerns. An excellent dinner was served, after which there was speechmaking. Daniel W. Shanahan of the Federal Shoe Co., acting as toastmaster. Remarks were made by Mr. Bean of the Stover & Bean Co.; Mr. John Pilling and Mr. Fred Pilling of Pilling Shoe Co.; Mr. E. W. C. Honen of the Lowell Shoe Co.; Mr. Couture of the Federal Shoe Co., songs by Mr. Frank Deignan, Mr. Thomas Fitzpatrick, Mr. Frank Thomas; a duet by Pilling brothers of Pilling Shoe Co.; a song by Mr. D. W. Shanahan, superintendent Federal Shoe company, and a song by Mr. Frank Thomas helped to entertain the company.

Christmas lamps at Welch Bros.

ARE YOU ONE

Of the Wearers of the New Mexican Topaz?

Over 36 millions of people are today adorned in the Mexican Topaz either in rings, earrings, brooches, pins, etc., etc., as a marvelous substitute for the genuine diamond. The lasting brilliancy and the quality of the Mexican Topaz is beyond any expert's definition. They look and wear so much like the genuine that the cleverest experts with the help of chemical tests applied to it have failed to shake the good name which the Mexican Topaz has attained and which will eventually take the place of the genuine diamond.

We are sole agents for the Topaz in this city, and our prices this week ought to make you buy. We will be glad to show you how they look, free of charge, also apply the test for you. We also have a large assortment in the jewelry line put up in Christmas plush boxes.

Beautiful Designs for Presents

New Mexican Crown Jewelry Co.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL JEWELERS.

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APPROPRIATE GIFTS

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The choice of suitable gifts is a matter of great importance. There is nothing which gives more lasting satisfaction than a piece of furniture, which will be in daily use for many years.

LADIES' DESKS $4.50 to $48.00	Parlor Cabinets $15.00 to $35.00	FANCY CHAIRS $3.00 to $45.00	Buffets and Sideboards $12.50 to $65.00
PARLOR SUITS $16.50 to $125.00	Music Cabinets $8.50 to $40.00	PEDESTALS $2.50 to $15.00	DINING TABLES $6.50 to $50.00
HALL RACKS $5.00 to $20.00	Kitchen Cabinets $18.00 to $28.00	COSTUMERS 75c to $20.00	DINNER SETS $8.50 to $25.00
Magazine Racks $4.00 to $6.50	Work or Sewing Baskets $2.25 to $4.75	HASSOCKS 50c to $2.00	Parlor and Library Tables $3.00 to $30.00
COUCHES $9.00 to $55.00	BOOKCASES $5.00 to $35.00	TABOURETS 65c to $8.00	CHINA CLOSETS $17.50 to $54.00
FOOTRESTS 75c to $4.50	MORRIS CHAIRS $7.00 to $32.00	CARD TABLES $1.50 to $3.00	VASES 25c to $5.00

FOR THE CHILDREN

DOLL CARRIAGES HOOD TOP $3.00 to $5.75	DESKS $2.00 to $7.00	HIGH CHAIRS AND ROCKERS 75c to $5.50	FUR ROBES For Carriages or Go-Carts $2.50 to $6.50

Gookin Furniture Company

66 PRESCOTT ST.

Lowell, Friday, December 17, 1909.

A. G. Pollard Co.

LOWELL'S BIGGEST AND BEST CHRISTMAS STORE

The Place to Buy Men's Gifts

Our departments are ready with everything that a sensible reasoning man could desire. Besides Handkerchiefs, Jewelry, Umbrellas, Footwear, Books, Smoking Sets, Steins, etc., our men's wear section holds the largest assortment and gives the most worth for your money of the furnishings which every man wears.

Special Sale of Xmas Neckwear

25 Dozen English Square Four-in-Hands, a large folded tie, made from elegant heavy silks of the latest designs. They come from one of the largest New England makers of high grade neckwear. Only a few of each pattern, so making a large variety to select from.

69c, 3 for $2.00. Each one in a box

Our lines of neckwear at 25c and up, are of the most carefully selected silks of the latest design and shape, and the most liberal, all put up in a neat box.....25c, 50c, 69c, $1.00 and $1.50

Gloves

For dress, street, driving. Lined with silk, wool and fur. All kinds of leathers of the best makes, both foreign and domestic.....$1.00 to $6.00

Hosiery

All the newest shades and weights for all seasons in the best makes, in cotton, wool or silk. All neatly boxed,

15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00

House Coats

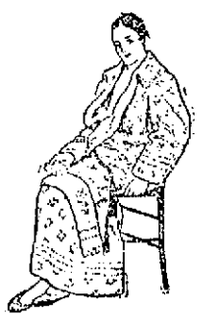
These are made by tailors of high grade clothing. Finish the best, made from all wool, double faced cloth of most durable quality. Silk cord trimmed and silk frogs,

$5.00 to $10.00

Bath Robes

For men. The latest styles of makeup and the largest selection of patterns. Our prices are lower, quality considered than elsewhere,

$2.50 to $10.00



Suspenders and sets of suspenders, garters and arm bands. Neatly boxed, hundreds of patterns to select from.....25c to $2.00

These come from the best makers of high grade suspenders.

East Section — Left Aisle

Down Stairs You Will Find These Bargains

Men's Arm Bands, made of fancy elastic, fancy buckles and each pair in a nice, fancy box; useful gift. At 12½c, 19c and 25c pair

Men's Fancy Braces, made of fine lisle web, leather end with a fancy box; useful gift, ...25c pair

Men's and Boys' Coat Sweaters, plain and gray, and gray with red and blue facing, and large pearl buttons, good value; useful gift ..At 49c, 98c and $1.50

Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas, American Taffeta Covering, with large assortment of handles, boxwood, pearl, horn, silver and gold, $1.50 value; useful gift, ...At 98c each

Men's Negligee Shirts, made of handsome Cheviot and Madras; useful gift, ...At 45c each

Men's Cashmere Hose, made of fine yarns, black, oxford, brown and natural, 25c value,

At 15c a pair, 7 pairs for $1

Palmer Street — Basement

Manufacturer's Sale Of

Ladies' Fur Muffs, Neck Pieces and Sets

At GRANT & CO.

Later You can get choice assortments of weather, but LATER you CAN'T get choice assortment of Furs.

ERGO—Buy now and buy direct from the manufacturer at one-half the price asked you by retailers. No old stock; every piece new and up to date.

GRANT & CO.

MERRIMACK STREET, OPPOSITE KIRK STREET.

Christmas Candy

We have just received 2000 lbs. Fancy Ribbon Christmas Candy, also Yum Yum Mixture and small Kisses, all flavors for stockings, and bags for Christmas trees.

These candies were made for us by special order and contain only the purest materials. Special low prices will be made to school teachers, churches, etc., who desire large quantities.

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Figure it out yourself how much farther you can make your earnings go if you can dress up your family by paying a dollar a week instead of the entire cost of the clothes "on the spot."

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GET BUSY NOW

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all the difference in the world whether you open your account with a small concern, with a poor assortment and high prices

OR COME HERE

where nine out of ten who want the best there is in clothing, prices, and terms come, and would not think of going anywhere else.

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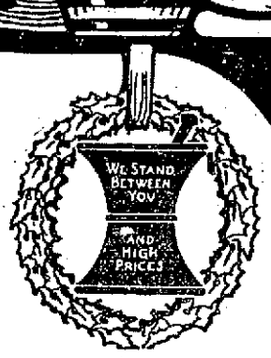

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With any purchase of 25c or over at our store on Saturday we will give a 5c glass of our delicious

SODA FREE

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Our shops have always been popular with holiday gift buyers. This year we are better prepared than ever to meet your wants. More departments, greater selections, increased facilities, a better store service, an improved delivery system and our famous cut prices extend to every department. The guarantee of genuineness and the assurance of satisfaction given by Hall & Lyon Co. to all its customers are especially important during the Christmas buying season.

CHOCOLATES FREE

To the first thousand customers purchasing 50c worth or more goods at our store on Saturday, we will give a ½ lb. box of our famous

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RETAIL VALUE 30c

BROWNIE CAMERAS
Easily operated, take fine pictures and the prices are very low, each—
$1 to $9
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Biggest Values in Town
98c
For a Two-dollar Pair. Rosewood backs, pure bristle.

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We are agents for
Gem, Jr. $1.00
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50c Glycothy Moline.....33c
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25c Rubifoam 15c
25c Tooth Brush 15c
25c Mennen's Talcum 15c
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$1.00 Herpicide 65c
$1.00 Listerine 65c
$1.00 Pinkham's Comp. 65c
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$1.00 Cooper's Discovery.....65c
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The best selections from such famous makers as
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Made from Pure Sugar
The kind you can safely give the children.
Comes packed 2 pounds in a fancy box
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If you buy Clothing for a present don't buy before you see what we have.
SUSPENDERS in fancy boxes, 19c, 25c, 35c, 48, 75c, 98c
SHIRTS, some new 1908 spring styles just received for the holidays. 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50

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Ladies' Vici Kid, Patent Tip Shoes, worth $3.00, at	$1.79
Men's Kangaroo and Box Calf Shoes, worth $3.00, at	$1.87
Youths' Double Sole, all solid Kangaroo Grain Shoes, sizes 9 to 13½, worth $2.00, at	$1.23
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Boys' Storm Rubbers, 75c quality, 49c
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Men's Storm Rubbers, 75c quality, 59c

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YOUNG MAN MISSING

Said to Have Spent a Fortune on a Woman

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—After squandering a fortune on a woman, buying her a fine residence and automobiles, lavishing his devotion on her and renouncing all hope of a bright future, John Bross Lloyd, youngest son of the late Henry D. Lloyd, and grandson of the late William Bross, who was a millionaire and once lieutenant governor of Illinois, has disappeared and his whereabouts is unknown to his relatives in Chicago.

This was revealed by William Bross Lloyd, attorney and the eldest of the Lloyd brothers, in testifying yesterday in the municipal court in the hearing of the suit of ex-Judge Hiram T. Gilbert against the Lloyd estate for the recovery of fees alleged to be due for effecting a settlement of the property.

A Mrs. McGraw of Boston was the woman named in the case. She was said to have carried on flirtations with many students at Yale and Harvard universities.

Mr. Lloyd first said that he found his young brother was not qualified to handle his share of the family estate. He admitted having introduced his brother, then only 20 years old, to Mrs. McGraw, whose morals he declared were not what "they should have been."

Next he testified that he had turned over to young Lloyd between $30,000 and $40,000 of his mother's estate as a test of the young man's inclinations.

After that he started proceedings for the distribution of the entire estate without letting the youngest brother obtain his share.

Mr. Lloyd further testified that members of the family had said the youth once lived with Mrs. McGraw, but they had no idea where he is now. Mrs. McGraw, however, was at the home given her by young Lloyd in a small town near Boston, Mass.

Young Lloyd has not been seen or heard from by Chicago friends since 1907, having left Harvard university in his sophomore year and disappeared.

Judge Gilbert was engaged by William Bross Lloyd to settle the estate. He alleges that he was to receive $50,000 for his services, but received only $10,000. He is suing Dr. Henry D. Lloyd and Demarest Lloyd of Boston and William Bross Lloyd of Chicago for the remaining $40,000.

The Thompson Hardware Co. is showing a beautiful line of brass jardinieres. This will make a splendid present.

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Do not fail to visit this old time-honored jewelry store. We have been in business more than 30 years. We sold your mother and father goods and they were satisfied and if we were good enough for them we should be good enough for you. Read our adv. in this issue.

CHRISTMAS SALE

AND ENTERTAINMENT IN PAWTUCKET CONG. CHURCH

The vestry of the Pawtucket Congregational church was the scene last evening, of a Christmas sale and entertainment given in aid of the Sunday school. Mrs. Mabel Gregg had general charge and she was assisted by Miss Florence Milner and Mr. George Tanner.

The evening's entertainment consisted of a four-scene pantomime entitled "Christmas Eve," and those who took part in it were: Charles Richardson, Miss Florence Milner, Master Joe Coburn and Darman McKinley. The other numbers were: Selection by the orchestra; duet, Miss Catherine Hickey and Miss Etta Legare, with Miss Elizabeth Murningham, accompanist; reading, Rudolph Vaugneault; whistling solo, William Carr; selection by the orchestra.

The tables, prettily decorated and located about the vestry, were presided over by the following: Fish pond, Miss Florence Putnam, chairman; Miss May Ella Axon, Miss Carrie Emery, Miss Elizabeth Hartman and Miss Helen Bellamy; candy table, Miss Ethel Rivet, chairman; Miss Helen Rivet and Miss Florence Milner; fancy table, Miss Ethel Trevers, chairman; Miss Grace Mansfield, Miss Florence Sturtevant, Miss Ida Cummings and Miss Lavina Axon; post card table, Miss Ina McKinley and Miss Julia Richardson; ice cream, Mrs. Mabel Gregg, chairman, Misses Lora Bellamy, Martha Kerr, Agnes Hall, Sadie Kenworthy, Helen Chadwick, Edith Cameron and Elizabeth Barrie.

GRANITEVILLE

St. Catherine's Temperance society elected officers Wednesday as follows: President, A. R. Wall; financial secretary, R. J. Homen; recording secretary, William L. Wall; trustees, Edward Riney, Henry LeDuc, Omer LeDuc; doorkeeper, Raymond Charlton. This society is now getting along finely, the membership is gradually increasing and the entertainment committee is planning some pleasing social events to be presented after the Christmas holidays.

DELIGHTFUL SOIREE

IN AID OF ST. LOUIS' PARISH WAS HELD LAST NIGHT

The members of St. Louis' choir held an entertainment at St. Louis' school last evening in aid of the parish and about 200 were present.

The first part of the evening was devoted to whist, at which Mrs. Godfroy Caron, Miss Caron, Miss Savard and Miss Hebert won the first prizes, with a score of 10 points. The young women members of the choir scored. After the whist a most delightful entertainment was provided by David Houde who gave several of his inimitable monologs, and was also the chief feature in a little comedy which brought down the house. The other actors in the playlet, which was entitled "Les Martin-Pecheurs," were I. R. Monette, Fred Bousquet and Omer Ducharme.

Change of Chaplains

Rev. Fr. Wattelle, O. M. I., the new superior of St. Joseph's parish, will be the chaplain of Court St. Antoine, C. O. F., a post also filled by the late superior, Rev. Fr. Campeau, O. M. I. At the court's regular assembly, Wednesday night, he was present and addressed the members. Rev. Dr. Emery, O. M. I., also a new attache of the parish, and Rev. Fr. Ouellette, O. M. I., came to the meeting with Rev. Fr. Wattelle and also addressed the members.

Bath room fixtures, Welch Bros.

FIRE NOT INCENDIARY

Fire Marshal's Aid Rice of the state police after investigating the fires which occurred in the Leblanc barn off Davidson street Saturday night has decided that they were not of incendiary origin.

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YOU RUN NO RISK IN GIVING FURS, THEY ARE ALWAYS APPRECIATED

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Black Fox Sets	$18, $25, $32, $45
Black Lynx Sets	$75
Black Hare Sets	$8, $10, $12, $15
Persian Lamb Sets	$25 and upwards
Black and Brown Coney Sets	$3.98
Children's and Misses' Sets	98c to $10

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Sworn to by John H. Harrington, proprietor, Martin H. Reidy, business manager, and Alfred Pilotte, pressman, of The Sun, before me, January 1, 1909. J. JOSEPH HENNESSY, Notary Public.

This is by far the largest average circulation of any newspaper in Lowell.

NOW FOR A NEW CITY CHARTER

Mayor-elect Meehan after entering office will have to distinguish himself by superior service in the city's interest and we believe there is no way in which he can do this more effectively than by getting all classes of our citizens united in favor of some form of charter to be submitted to the legislature for enactment so that it can be passed upon by the voters at the state election next fall.

The need of a new city charter is so urgent that the matter should be pushed ahead as quickly as possible. Our experience of last year demonstrated the fact that the greatest obstacle to securing a new charter is the difficulty of having our people united upon any fixed form or outline before going to the legislature. To secure this very desirable object steps should be taken at an early day. The charter drafted last year seemed to be a very good one, but there were many objections. It would be impossible to draft any charter that would please all. If it pleases the majority and has the great essentials of the modern charter, then it should be endorsed by the city council and sent to the legislature for enactment.

The great tendency in the charters adopted by progressive cities within the past few years is to simplicity of form, systematization of business methods, decrease in the membership of municipal boards, the centralization of power and responsibility in one executive head or else in one small governing board. With these principles agreed upon to begin with, it would seem that the details might be worked out to the satisfaction of all classes of citizens.

The "recall" that at first might seem a source of protection against election blunders in some cases has been turned into a political nuisance by defeated candidates in their attempt to overthrow the will of the majority. To avoid that extreme, this provision, if adopted, should be surrounded with conditions that will always make it a difficult matter to overturn the result of an election by the people, and will also discourage bitter recall contests against the popular verdict by defeated candidates. Respect for majority rule should be an embodiment of every city charter.

Mayor-elect Meehan has had valuable experience in the legislature relative to city charters and he will be able to wield a considerable influence with that body in securing for the city of Lowell the kind of charter that is suited to her needs, one calculated to simplify her government and promote her interests as one of the great municipalities of the state.

MAYOR-ELECT HOWARD OF SALEM

Mayor-elect Howard of Salem goes into office with a vast array of promises. He is to turn his salary over to the park department and to carry out a great many reforms. Mr. Howard has had a rather checkered career since he came to Salem, a little over a year ago. He has stirred up the city by charges of corruption that got him into jail for a while, but that did not stop him.

For the sake of Salem we hope he will "make good," but yet we venture to predict that the people of Salem will be disappointed at the end of the year. One of the reasons why we believe so is, that Howard has painted conditions much worse than they really are in order to stir up the people and attract attention to himself. He cannot reform abuses that do not exist and unless the people find radical changes for the better at the end of the year they are likely to repudiate Howard as a political "gold brick."

THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

The bureau of statistics of the state of New Jersey issues a startling bulletin showing the increase in the cost of living, to be about 37 per cent. in the last 11 years. The bulletin has arrived at this conclusion through a study of the price of 50 articles chosen with a view to making the entire list as nearly as possible representative of the standard variety of table supplies used by families of average incomes. The increase in the cost of living in New Jersey is perhaps no greater than in the state of Massachusetts or other parts of this country. This is an element that must be considered in the economic problem of life as of equal importance with that of income. The rate of wages has not followed the cost of living upward to any great extent and this is what troubles the average family at the present time as it has done for the past two years. The question comes now is this increase in the cost of living to continue and if so will the rate of wages be increased so that the weekly earnings will in due time purchase the same amount of supplies as they did ten or eleven years ago?

SEEN AND HEARD

Work only becomes irksome when the task is uncongenial—pleasure is doing the work we like. No two men are alike—it follows that if each would do the work he liked the labor necessary would become a pleasure, all men would be happy and every man's capacity for serving himself and his fellows would grow and develop naturally.

Her husband in jail; herself and oldest daughter in consumption and no fuel in the house are the conditions that confront at least one woman in Lowell today, and it looks as if the Christmas season for her and her children would be a dismal one. There are three children in the family. The oldest is 12 and the youngest 8 years. Anybody desirous of assisting this poor woman and her children can obtain her name and address at The Sun office.

Lowell has ten ex-mayors living. This number includes William E. Badger, who by virtue of his position as chairman of the board of aldermen became acting mayor to fill the unexpired term of one who died in office, the late Charles A. R. Dimon. The others who live and who are as much interested in the city's affairs as in the days of yore are George F. Richardson, Charles A. Stott, George Runels, Edward J. Noyes, George W. Fifield, John J. Pickman, James B. Casey, Charles E. Howe and Frederick W. Farnham.

It was married men's night at the revival meeting.

"Let all you husbands who have troubles on your minds stand up!" shouted the emotional preacher, at the height of his spasm.

Instantly every man in the church rose to his feet except one.

"Ah!" exclaimed the preacher, peering out at this lone sitter, who occupied a chair near the door and apart from the others, "you are one in 1,000,000."

"It ain't that," piped back this one helplessly, as the rest of the congregation turned to gaze suspiciously at him. "I can't get up; I'm paralyzed!"

This story is told of a newspaperman in a nearby town, and it happened a long time ago. The reporter was a man addicted to the use of ardent liquors to a marked degree, yet with all that was well thought of in the community in which he labored. He came from a good family and traveled with the best people of the town. At one social function he attended, both as a newspaperman and a guest, he chanced to dance with one of the leading young ladies in the town. For convenience sake we will call her Elsie, although that was not her name. The reporter's name was not George, but that will do as well as any other, as he is now out of the business and might not like to have old sores reopened. He had taken a few drinks before going into the hall, and it was but natural that his fair partner should detect the aroma of the liquor.

As they were gliding gracefully over the floor the young lady said, "Georgie, I can smell whiskey." The young man thought a moment and then he replied, "Elsie, I can go you one better. I can taste it."

The death of Patrick F. Sheedy, the world's most noted gambler, was chronicled a few days ago and here is a bit of Sheedy's deathbed philosophy:

"I never talk about things I have done or tried to do for people. It's like pulling up a beautiful rosebush, all abloom, and examining the roots. If we have a chance to help, let's help and keep quiet about it.

"I've been a gambler. So are all men. Most business is a form of gambling. Think of Wall street. But gambling is no profession for any man. It is not even a profitable one, for it's the only one of which you can say, 'The higher you go, the lower you go.' The more you succeed the more you fail. The cleverer a man is, the more brilliant he becomes, the harder it is for a man to get on as a gambler. They get afraid of him.

"I'll tell what is the worst man I ever knew. It's a coward. Cowardice is the unforgivable sin."

He was a shrewd old farmer and he walked into the lawyer's office hesitantly. He stated the facts in his controversy with a neighbor and then he asked the lawyer whether or not the latter believed it would be profitable for him to carry his case into the courts. The lawyer promptly answered in the affirmative. "Then you think I have a good case?" the farmer inquired, still doubtfully. "Indeed I do," said the lawyer encouragingly. "I would advise you to bring suit." The farmer gazed out of the window for several minutes. Finally he asked: "And what would your fee be for the whole?" "Fifty dolars," the lawyer replied, as if he were speaking of cents instead of dollars. The farmer reached into his pocket, drew out a wallet that had seen much service, produced therefrom a bundle of bills and counted out $50. "There you are," he said. "Now you've got all you would get out of the case anyhow, so s'pose you tell me honestly just what you think my chances of winning the suit are."

As the open game season on deer draws to a close people in Skowhegan and vicinity, says a dispatch from that town realize that fewer deer and other game from the upper Maine woods and local woods have been shot this season than for many years past. Of hundreds of hunters who have gone into the woods after deer and moose this year and who have seldom failed before, only a few got a deer or any other game. There have been only two deer weighing more than 150 pounds brought into Skowhegan this season, those being shot by Sumner Ward and Blin Page. Mr. Ward shot a buck weighing about 225 pounds and Blin Page shot one near Jackman weighing a little over 200 pounds. One thing out of the ordinary is that there has not been a deer shot in the local woods here this season.

Old hunters of the town tell the writer that the smallest number of deer and other game shot this season is not due to a scarcity of the game, but to the deer going back from the railroads and camps. In the last year hundreds of camps and cottages have been built where before man had hardly been. The new extension of the Somerset railroad has been the means of driving the deer back from where they were a short time before in large numbers.

The hunters claim in affirmation of the above statement that the largest number of deer is found on the upper side of Moosehead lake near the Canada line. Blin Page of Skowhegan, cashier of the First National bank, claims that he saw fifteen deer in that section in about one hour one afternoon this fall.

THE ASSAULT BY NIGHT

Brigadier Baby and Captain Bright
Are busily planning assaults by night;
They've planted their batteries under my chair,
And they march in the twilight softly there,
Tittering, twittering, laughing and bold,
With their arms of love and their curls of gold.

Brigadier Baby, in paper cap,
With strategy wins to the enemy's lap;
And here in the glow of the even light
Is camped by the hassock Captain Bright,
While over the carpet their phantom hosts
Come by like thousands of fairy ghosts.

It's Saturday evening, and I am "took,"
With my paper and pipe and my little book;
And they toss them away with a golden chatter,
As if little books were a little matter,
And pipes and papers were made for men
Who have not been captured by children again.

I guess if I'd listened and heard the drum
Of Captain Bright and his army come,
I might have skedaddled and now be free,
But Brigadier Baby is on my knee,
And the fairy music is in the room
Of the limitless legions of laughter-bloom.

Thank God for the Babe and the Brigadier,
And the Captain sweet, and I do not fear
The ranks they muster to capture me
As they charge with their tinkling musketry
Over the hassock and on my lap
With the sword of tin and the paper cap!

PEOPLE OF NOTE

George W. Cable, whose charming humors of "Posson Jone and Pere Raphael" have just been published together, once wrote to a friend that when he enlisted in the Confederate army (October 9, 1863), "the enlisting officer said, 'You solemnly swear that you are 19 years old?' I said 'I do,' and he responded, 'You'd better say nine.' And he doesn't weigh many more pounds now than he did then.

It is interesting to note the position of Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch, daughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton, who because she married an Englishman is not an American citizen, and is now about to take out her naturalization papers,—for so the law requires. Mrs. Blatch is president of the New York equality league for self-supporting women, but she couldn't vote if there were a woman suffrage amendment. The first papers (the declaration) go all right; but whether the second can be given under the law is a question. For Mrs. Blatch is not a widow. Her attorney, Bertha Rembaugh, says: "This case has no precedent. According to the law, if a woman who was born in this country marries an alien who does not become naturalized, she may, if widowed or divorced, resume her United States citizenship by merely making a formal declaration of her desire in the matter. According to the law of nations, a woman is a citizen of her husband's country. There is no case on record where a married woman has made an attempt to transfer her citizenship."

Mrs. J. B. Dibrell, state president of the Texas Federated clubs, urges that the civic development of America be studied in the clubs. She thinks such a course, with the present impetus of the conservation of waterways and forests, would prove interesting to junior leagues.

An Italian Social democrat is bewailing his luck just now. He is a breeder of fowl in the country near Turin, and has for some time been in the habit of going and coming from that city without paying any duty on the fowl he carried in an ordinary market basket on his back. The other day when he reached the station he was disgusted to find that an imposing reception arranged for Signor Giolitti, the president of the council, was in progress. This so outraged all his socialistic feelings that he created a scene. On his return home he wrote to the authorities to protest against such absurd exhibition, and said that the behavior of the fawning crowd had been such that even the fowl in his basket had laughed at it. The next day he received a peremptory summons from the commissary of the station to present himself, which he did at once, hoping to achieve fame as a socialist leader and all prepared to lead his cause with another burst of eloquence. However, he was only desired by the officials to pay a fine for having escaped the vigilance of the customs while carrying a basket of fowl.

A Hungarian evangelical woman minister preached in Klausenburg the other day—the first of her kind. Budapest papers report that Frau Julia Vargha is a gifted woman, and that her preaching makes an impression. She is the daughter of the reformed evangelical bishop, Carl Sasz, poet and teacher.

The women readers of an evening paper have been voting on the ten most distinguished living women in France. The result of the 127,550 votes cast places Mme. Curie of radium fame at the head of the list with 9446 votes. Sarah Bernhardt comes next with 9286. Then Juliette Dodu, the telegraph heroine of the Franco-Prussian war, who died a few days before the poll closed, scores 8577. The remaining seven are the Duchess d'Uzes, Mme. Bonnefois, Gyp, the writer, Comtesse de Noailles, the poetess; Severine, the journalist; Cecil Sorel, the actress, who says that a woman needs $20,000 a year to dress on, and Mme. Imbert, another heroine of the war.

BOXING GOSSIP

The Armory club has signed for next Tuesday, Frank Klauss, the "Pittsburg Cyclone," who recently boxed Bill Papke to box Porky Flynn in a 12-round contest. Klauss is the most promising middle-weight produced since Fitzsimmons. If he wins over Flynn, he will be matched to meet Jimmy Gardner. Flynn is anxious to redeem himself and is sure to make a great try for victory against the Smoky City lad.

There's nothing like knowing what you are writing about. A New York sporting paper suggests that Sir A. Conan Doyle be asked to referee the Jeffries-Johnson prize fight. This is a compliment in a way—a compliment to a good workman. In "Rodney Stone," written by Doyle, is a story of a fight in the ring which every boxer and every sporting follower who read it has proclaimed to be as exactly scientific as is a paper written by a great surgeon in describing some delicate and wonderful operation. There have been written stories of fights which indicated that the writer got his knowledge of the ring from seeing two dogs battling in the street. Doyle, however, showed he knew and had studied scientific ring work. It is a good plan to do your work well, and if you're going to write about prize fighting or anything else to study the subject first hand and be prepared to do a good turn with it. The fight in "Rodney Stone" is in its way a classic.—Brockton Enterprise.

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Boys' Fancy Suits and Overcoats, $2.50 to $10.00
Women's Stylish Suits, $10.00 to $35.00
Women's Swell Coats, $5.00 to $35.00
Handsome Millinery, $2.50 to $14.50
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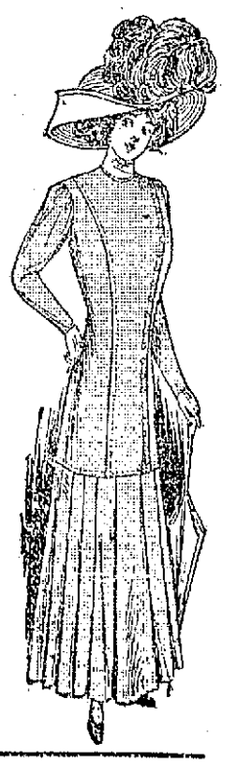
Girls' Coats and Suits, $1.50 to $10.00



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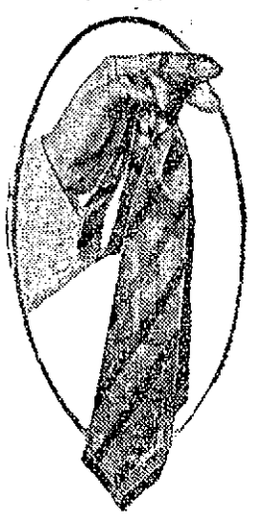

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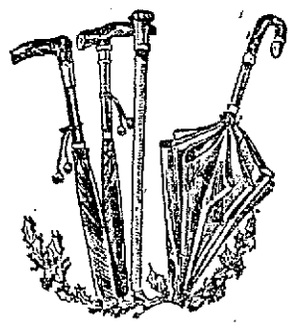

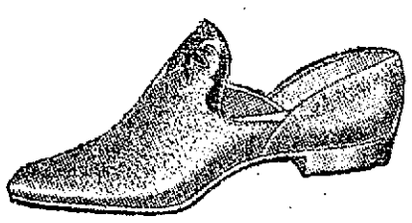

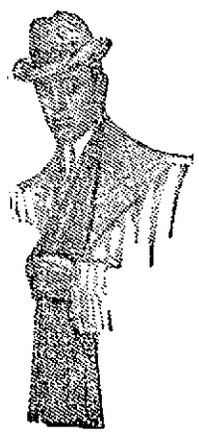

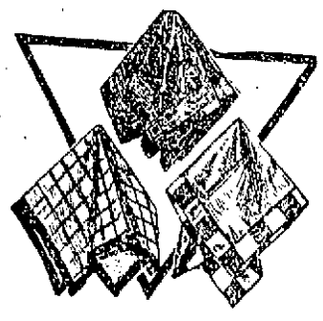

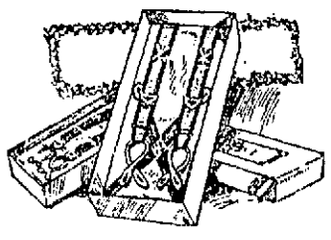

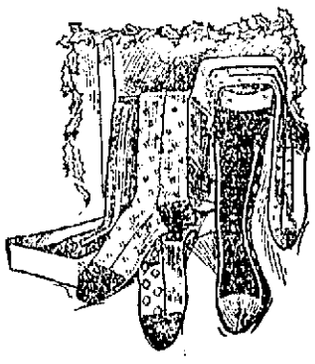

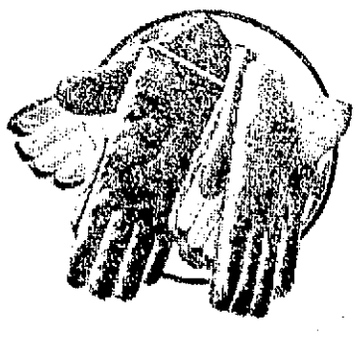

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FROM A COMMERCIAL VIEWPOINT

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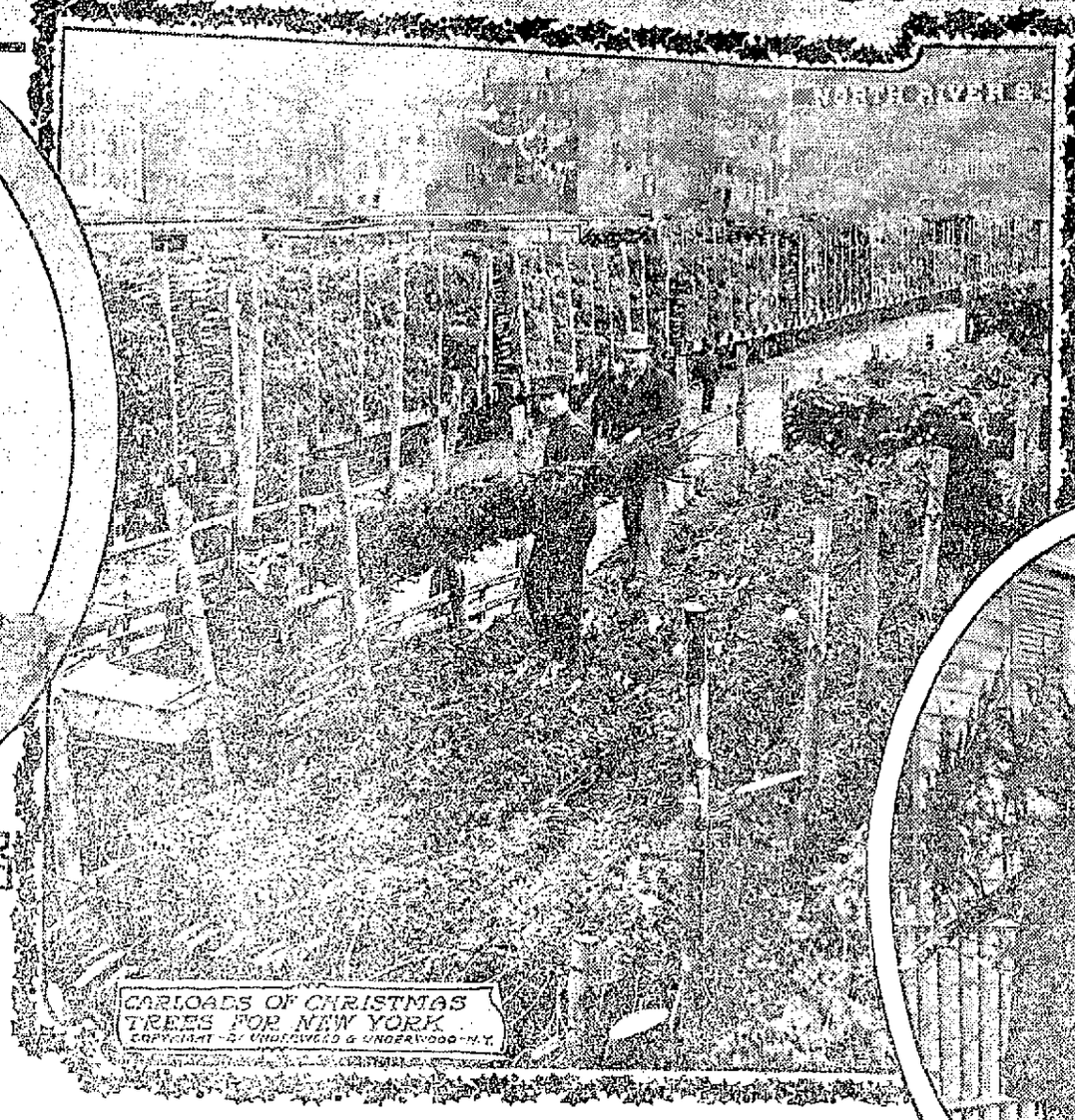

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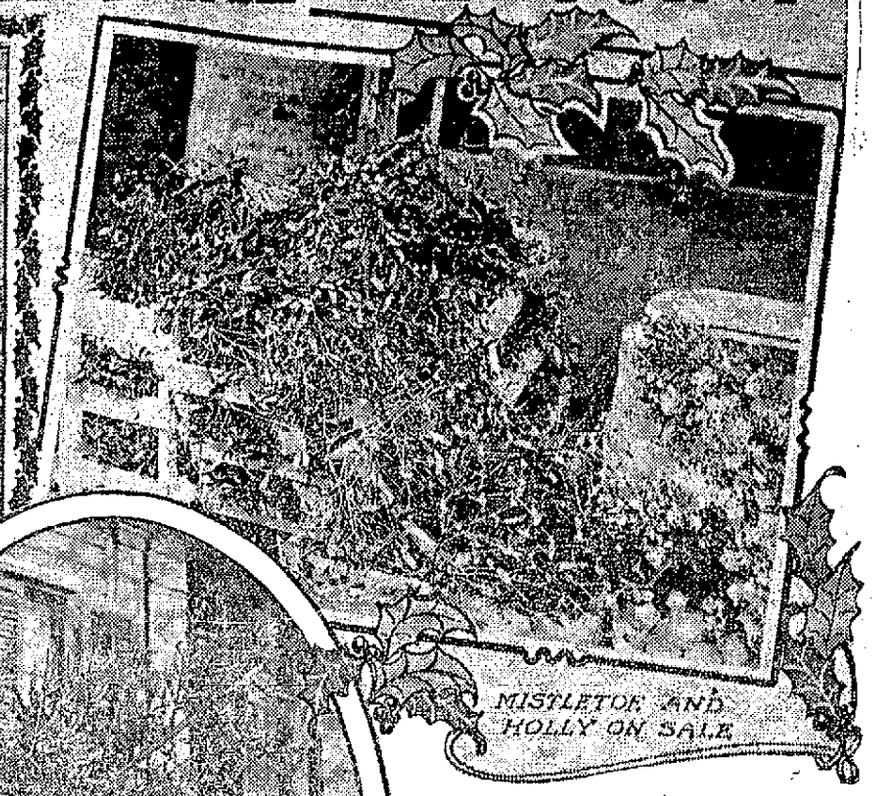

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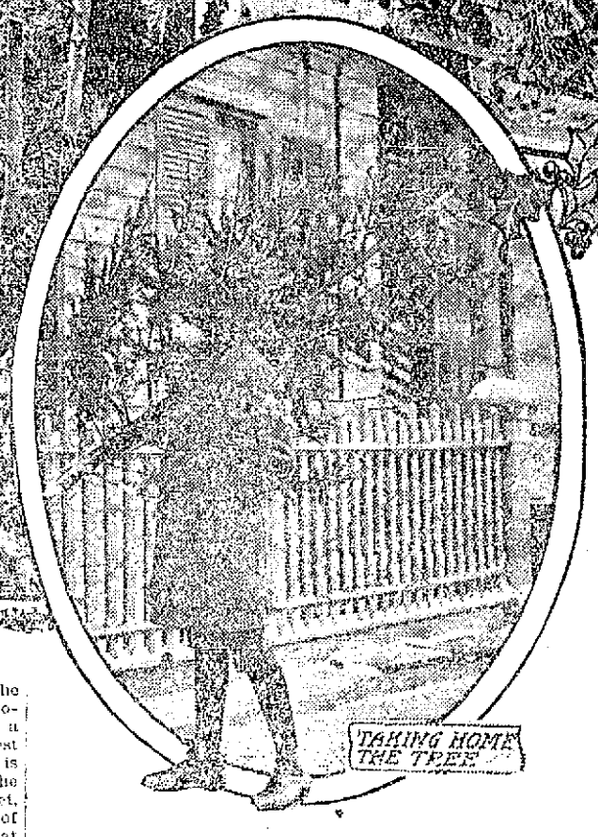

TAKING HOME THE TREE

LONG before Christmas gifts are on the counters and in the shop windows the preparatory part of the season of tradition and sentiment is being worked out in the forests which furnish the decorations for homes, churches and public places of the land and which give verdancy to the crowded streets.

Fifty years ago any one in a great city who wanted a Christmas tree would have walked a long distance before finding the desired article. A year ago it was roughly estimated that more than 5,000,000 Christmas trees were sold in the country. For obvious reasons New York receives and sells more of these trees and of holly and mistletoe than any city in the United States. For several weeks before the merry season sets in the streets in the lower end of Manhattan are filled with these holiday harbingers. They come by boats, mostly schooners, and by rail.

More than 75 per cent of these greens grow on the cold hillsides of eastern and northern Maine and on the mountains and in the forests of New Hampshire and Vermont. The harvesting and shipping to points along the Atlantic coast are conducted on an extensive scale. The work gives employment to many young farmers and timbermen at a season when money for the harvesters is not any too plentiful, for these same men who formerly hunted game in winter have been largely bereft of that source of revenue for several years.

To understand how the business has grown one need only remember that twenty-five years ago, when it began in Maine, no more than four schooners were employed to bring down the cut, and their cargoes contained less than 5,000 trees. Today there are not enough schooners to supply the demand along the coast as far as New York city. Scores of railroad trains also bring in trees from Pennsylvania, sections of the New England states that are not accessible to the coast and the interior of New York and New Jersey. While the big cities of the east are being supplied many cargoes are shipped to the middle western states. Holly and mistletoe constitute another branch of the business. They come from Maryland and Virginia, and some come from the far southwest.

Harvesting Christmas trees is not conducted in any haphazard sort of way. "Anything" will not do. The ideal tree must be intensely green, symmetrical, straight and graceful, and its limbs must be stout, so as to hold up the gifts they are designed to bear. Generally there is a large profit in harvesting these trees. If there is an average cut the cost of delivering to New York or Boston does not exceed 2 cents a tree. The price of the smallest tree in a big city seldom falls below 25 cents, and from that the price goes up to $5, according to the height and symmetry of the tree.

Another decoration for the season is the "ground pine." It grows deep in the pine woods and among resinous needles and broken limbs. It is a creeping, vinelike plant. Children of the country gather it in the fall, sort it, press it into boxes or sacks and send it to the cities. Out of this are made wreaths, festoons and streamers into any desired shape. These make up the decorations seen all over the land.

Tree Farm of the City.

The stranger in New York city a few weeks before Christmas would be warranted in the opinion that Christmas trees, holly and other green growths constituted the principal traffic of the metropolis. Almost anything—except a large tree—intended for decoration during the Yuletide is on sale on the sidewalks, the venders being men, women and children. But this is only a part of the stock. Over on the west side, not far from the docks, is what is called "the farm." This comprises the great open spaces along West street, that being the widest thoroughfare of the city. Here are grouped great stacks of Christmas trees and piles of wreaths. This is the wholesale market. In the center of intersecting streets are more Christmas goods of the same sort, but on less extensive lines. From these markets the retail dealer draws his supply, and from here large consignments are shipped to country towns. A year ago it was estimated that more than 260 carloads of trees and holly and mistletoe were delivered to the New York market. There are 2,000 trees to each carload. Make your own deduction. And don't forget that these trees came by rail. The cargoes by boat are to be added.

The best seller in the Christmas tree line is the balsam fir, because, possibly, of its aromatic fragrance. Firs and spruces for the holiday trade in New York city and vicinity come from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and the Adirondacks. In order to get them to market in time the woodcutters start the work of cutting, bunching and trimming early in October. In most cases the cuts are hauled long distances over country roads before they are shipped on trains. These trees range from six feet to twenty-five feet in height. Wholesale prices range from 75 cents a bunch (usually four trees make a bunch) up to $25 for a single tree that measures twenty-five feet. The wholesale trade of New York city is handled by only a few concerns. One has been in the business for more than thirty-five years. Orders for the great Christmas cut are often made while people are just finishing their vacations.

Similar Christmas markets are found before the season opens in Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington. Chicago draws on the pineries of Michigan for much of its stock in the way of Christmas trees and supplies a vast area in the west and northwest with greeneries that add to the merry season. Most of the trees delivered in Chicago arrive on lake schooners.

In Pennsylvania stalwart woodsmen work in gangs and are in the employ of a large shipper. The contractor pays the owner of the land at the rate of from $7 to $10 an acre, taking them as "they come." The trees are loaded on large hay and bark rigged wagons, hauled to the nearest railroad station by oxen and piled in stacks or rows near the tracks, from which they are loaded on lumber cars and shipped to the large cities.

Home of Holly.

The holly used in decorations comes from Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina in cases of from 75 to 100 pounds in weight, prices ranging from $1.50 to $5 per case, according to quality. Much of it comes in wreaths varying in size and quality. These wreaths sell for from $6 to $12 per hundred. The prices are those of last year, and they will probably not vary much this year. Imported mistletoe comes mostly from Normandy, though some is obtained in England. It sells for from $10 to $15 per case of seventy-five pounds. The home mistletoe, which comes from the same states that produce the holly, brings from $1 to $2 per barrel.

The extent of the Christmas tree industry, and the holly and mistletoe as well, in New York city will give an idea of the business throughout the country. A year ago the big city spent more than $2,000,000 for these Christmas goods. Of course all were not used in the city, but that was the amount expended for trees, holly and other Christmas greens. It was also estimated that between 5,000 and 6,000 people in the city were venders of the Yuletide decorations. The same year it was estimated that St. Louis, now fourth in population, spent more than $50,000 for the same sort of goods for the season of good will.

FRANK H. BROOKS.

Mme. Palladino, Psychic Puzzle

Italian Whose Seances In Europe Mystified Scientists Comes Here to Prove Her Weird Powers

NOW comes Eusapia Palladino—medium, woman of the weird—who considers herself a Neapolitan, although some of those from the boot shaped peninsula who know their Italy shake their heads about Naples as her cradle town, while admitting that she does come from the land of fine arts, sunny skies and spaghetti. She comes to America—the United States—as they all do, after contact with men of note on the other side. And United States folks flock, as they always do, to anybody or anything that has been talked about across the water. Let it be said to the credit of Americans that "flocking" does not always imply belief. Also, in behalf of the Palladino, let it be said that she puzzles; she makes motions, and things rise; they come and vamoose at her bidding, apparently, as she stretches her arms, all the while being under the scrutiny of scientific men, journalists and others who by their talk or writings spread the name of Palladino. Her seances in New York city have created a stir.

So also came, puzzled and benefited, Lulu Hurst, Annie Abbott, the Davenport brothers—remember the Davenports?—Washington Irving Bishop, J. Randall Brown, James Louis Kellogg, May Pepper and others. All of these did things which caused the moderns to wonder as much as the Israelites probably wondered when Elisha caused the ax that a woodman had lost in the Jordan to come up and float on the surface.

The most recent spiritualistic arrival met, interested and to some extent associated with, in a business way at least, some noted people on the other side. It must be said for her that her meeting with these has not been recent. Some of them she knew and interested for twenty years. Among them were Lombroso, recently passed away, and Oliver Lodge, Crookes, Ferri, Sergi and others of a school that studied the occult and dived into the waters of mysticism. On this side she caused a professor at Harvard to pause. William James is the professor referred to. When he had investigated the psychic force of Mme. Palladino he said, "I admit that she resorts to fraud at times, but will fraud explain her phenomena?"

Professor James H. Hyslop, an author of note, although somewhat skeptical, wants the mystery explained. "The Palladino case ought to be investigated thoroughly," he says. "For both the scientific man and the public the history of Mesmer ought to be a warning," he adds, "and a lesson. He [illegible] the same excitement among the aristocracy of France that Eusapia Palladino is creating among the ignorant valuar rich here."

Mme. Palladino, who is to tour the cities of this country—at least that is the program—is fifty-four years old. She has been twice married, but retains her maiden name. For that matter, both of her husbands adopted her maiden name.

At a seance given in London Palladino was subjected to the scrutiny of members of the English Society For Psychical Research. Every care was taken to trap the Italian sorceress in any trick to which she might resort. The word "trick," by the way, is not in the madame's vocabulary. Several seances were held in the committee's own room. One of those present was Hereward Carrington, an author and scientist of New York city, who devoted many years to the study of alleged spiritualistic phenomena. He has detected and exposed a number of fraudulent mediums. Mr. Carrington returned home after the London seances and is quoted as saying that he is as much mystified at what he saw and heard as any of the foreign investigators. "Frequently during the seances," says Mr. Carrington, "we all experienced a sensation of cold, as though a cold breeze were issuing from the cabinet curtains and blowing over us. All who have had sittings with Eusapia are convinced that this cold breeze is not subjective in character, but that it is distinctly and provably objective. It is invariably noticed by all present at about the same time, and their descriptions all agree with one another as to its nature and as to the sensations they experience when it blows upon them. This breeze sometimes seems to become denser and more solid, as it were, until it assumes the impression of icy cold fingers."

Palladino reads and writes fairly well, if not up to the standard of the purist. She speaks the Neapolitan dialect readily. When she speaks Italian she frequently mixes Neapolitan in her sentences and is given to interspersing French and even English words.

In spite of the fact that her manners are not such as would fascinate one accustomed to cultured circles, she has been received in the refined and luxurious salons of Paris and London. Of her early life she prefers not to talk. Her birthplace was an obscure town; her family had associations with a brigand; her first marriage was unhappy, No. 1 insisting that as she was a money maker she should support him. But all these things she dismisses when they are hinted at. When they are suggested a cloud comes over her countenance. Her life, she says, has been a series of successes ever since she first found herself. She did not understand her powers at first. She was afraid of herself in the beginning. "But afterward," and when she speaks in this manner she becomes elated, "everybody was converted." She has been seen in all the capitals of Europe and was surprised to learn that she was so well known in America.

Her tastes are simple. She would rather sit down to a meal in an east side restaurant of her own people than dine at the most fashionable cafe. She is also simple in her dress. "Why care so much for money, dress, culture and accomplishments?" she asks. And then she adds, rather dramatically, "This life, after all, is not so important as most men consider it." Then her eyes grow glassy. The woman ends—the medium begins. She has been in the business thirty years. She is here to challenge Americans to disprove her powers.

JOHN KERSCHEVAL.

EUSAPIA PALLADINO, FAMOUS ITALIAN MEDIUM.

Zelaya, Ruler of Nicaragua

Born to Wealth, Educated, Ambitious and Merciless, He Has Become Mischief Maker of Central America

PRESIDENT ZELAYA OF NICARAGUA.

A DISTRACTED hornet in a rapidly revolving, steam heated kaleidoscope is not an altogether extravagant simile of the present condition of Jose Santos Zelaya, titular president and, it may be added, dictator of Nicaragua. Zelaya represents the militant insect. Nicaragua is the instrument containing the hose collections composed of Zelaya's supporters and the insurgents under General Juan J. Estrada.

If there ever was a time when Nicaragua was in a state of repose that promised to last a year, it must have been when Gil Gonzalez Davila discovered the big lake in that country in 1552 or when the strip was in some soporific condition. Away back in 1825 it revolted from Spain and was annexed to the Mexican empire under Iturbide. It has kept up the pace in one way or another ever since.

Zelaya's present troubles extend beyond the confines of his carbonated country. Diplomatically, if in no other way, he is responsible for the killing of two American citizens, Leroy Cannon and Leonard Groce. They were shot to death for participation in the present revolution of Nicaragua. What brought on this revolution is a matter that does not concern any citizen of the United States. The rumpus is between Zelaya and Estrada, the latter being the head of the party opposing Zelaya.

Zelaya has ruled in Nicaragua for sixteen years. The population of the republic is roughly estimated to be a half million. The statement has been printed that of this number 10,000 have been exiled at various times under Zelaya's administration. Long before Zelaya was elected president he was a fomenting factor in his country. When Charmora was president the republic was in a condition of quietude that disturbed the hot blooded and active young man who is the present ruler. Zelaya undertook to agitate the lethargic natives against the government. His time, however, had not come. He was sent into exile. He found his way to Guatemala and became an ardent supporter of the restless spirit who governed there, J. Rufino Barrios. He entered the service of Barrios. He learned lessons there which enabled him to carry out the policies that have characterized his rule up to the present time. Kindred spirits were Barrios and Zelaya.

A revolution in Nicaragua was inevitable. It came, and Zelaya returned. He headed the insurgents of that uprising, and finally the government was overthrown and Zelaya came to the top.

It is conceded even by his most inveterate enemies that he is courageous. He is the boldest leader who has so far appeared in the Latin American country, except, perhaps, Castro. And he is more ambitious than was the Venezuelan ruler. One of his dreams, according to those who have studied him, is to unite the five republics of Central America and become president of all. He is fifty-one years old.

Ever since Zelaya became president the soldiery of his country have had something to do other than chasing pigs and goats, which was their former exercise and amusement. Zelaya has been better equipped for his sort of rule than any Central American schemer or fighter. Up to the present trouble he has outpointed all opponents.

In spite of the comparatively small population of the country and the laziness of the natives, Zelaya, according to the most recent reports, is capable of putting up a strong fight. One report is that he can easily place in the field an army of 125,000 equipped with modern rifles and artillery. Not a great while ago there were shipped to him from New Orleans 75,000 Mauser rifles and 25,000,000 rounds of ammunition. Whether this shipment succeeded in running the blockade is not definitely known. With the ports of his own country blockaded by the insurgents and with the United States watching the situation, Zelaya is one of the most interesting figures that has come into the limelight for some time, and sooner or later he is one who will have to be dealt with.

S. VINTON RAMEY.

COST $1,000,000

The City of Haverhill May Buy Lighting Plant

HAVERHILL, Dec. 17.—Four orders providing for the purchase of the Haverhill Gas company and the Haverhill electric company were introduced at the meeting of the municipal council last evening and under the rules were tabled one week.

The council at an informal meeting last Monday declared for municipal control of the two lighting plants. Since then the officials of the two companies have protested against such action.

Mayor Moulton has notified the gas company that he will wait until next Thursday for a proposition for an 80-cent rate as authorized in 1889 by the state commission and unless that is granted, he will push the orders for the purchase of that plant. The mayor believes the electric company's plant would be a profitable investment and result in lower rates.

It is figured that municipal control of both plants would involve an outlay of at least $1,500,000. Mayor Moulton and Aldermen Harris and Bean are in favor of municipal control, while Aldermen Kilham and Desmond are undecided.

A two-thirds vote is necessary for the passage of the orders and Mayor Moulton intends if the orders are passed next Thursday to have similar orders passed early next year and call a special election to submit the proposition to the voters.

At the meeting last night bond orders of $8000 for the purchase of three automobiles, two for the fire department and one for the street department and of $4000 for a public playground in ward 7 were passed.

TO SETTLE STRIKE

FITCHBURG, Dec. 17.—A settlement of a strike of 70 weavers at the Cornforth & Marx silk mills in West Fitchburg who demanded an advance of from 2 1-4 to 3 cents was expected today at a conference between the firm and a committee of employes. The weavers walked out on Wednesday and since then the mills which employ 170 operatives have been shut down.

DOG ORDINANCE

Has Been Adopted in Chicago

Out in Chicago a dog ordinance has been recommended for passage, and it's a pretty good ordinance. It contains the following clauses:

At the same time and place set for trial in any branch of the municipal court of the city of Chicago, for any cause referred to in this ordinance, if it shall appear that any dog has in any manner disturbed the quiet of any person or persons, or caused an abrasion of the skin, or attempted to bite or snap at any person or persons within the city, the owner or keeper shall be fined not less than five dollars nor more than $200.

If said cause is tried before a jury and the jury assesses the damages of the city of Chicago, the court may stay execution or issuance of a mittimus upon motion of the city prosecutor, and continue the cause for a further day and order the defendant to have the dog shot by a police officer of the city of Chicago, within the time for which the case is continued.

If said cause is tried by the court, defendant waiving a jury trial, the same course will prevail as though tried before a jury.

Upon a satisfactory showing to the court that said dog has been shot, the court may in its discretion cause a nonsuit to be entered in said cause.

LABOR TROUBLE

To Be Submitted to Arbitration

BARRE, Vt., Dec. 17.—The Barre granite manufacturers' association, through its representative in the national association, has offered to leave the whole matter of the Northfield labor trouble to the national executives of the manufacturers and union to arbitrate under the "making for peace plan" adopted by manufacturers some four or five years ago.

The matter has been referred to the Northfield branch, and if that body accepts the suggestion the whole matter will go there for settlement. This refers to the Northfield situation only, but if the trouble is adjusted there the men at Barre and Montpelier will return to work. Contrary to general expectations the opening of the sheds of G. R. Bianchi & Co. at Montpelier yesterday did not set an example that was contagious. It was rumored here and in Montpelier this morning that several sheds were to open, but the Bianchi shed in Montpelier and the sheds of the Union granite company of Waterbury are the only ones doing business with anything but apprentices.

Woburn orchestra, Prescott, tonight.

GREAT ROBBERY

Goods Were Taken from Freight Cars

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—More than $100,000 worth of goods has been stolen recently from freight cars of the Michigan Central, the Pennsylvania and the Lehigh Valley railroads, according to detectives who appeared yesterday against four men charged with being partly responsible for the thefts.

Frank Miller, Morris Fabren and Joseph Keller were accused of breaking into a Michigan Central freight car at Peekskill, N. Y., and stealing 6000 cigars shipped from New York to Houghton, Wis. Charles Endres, a New York saloon proprietor, is charged with selling the stolen goods at his cafe.

The detectives, who were employed by the railroads to run down car thieves, did not enumerate the other robberies. The accused men were held for examination.

ORDER OF PROTECTION

The regular meeting of Elgin lodge, N. E. O. P., was held last night, the principal business of the meeting being the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

Junior retired warden, Caleb L. Smith; warden, Mary E. Chapman; vice warden, Olin M. Haines; secretary, Hattie A. Burrows; financial secretary, A. Chrisabel Burrows; treasurer, Etta J. Bowen; chaplain, Emma F. Haines, guardian, Celia Mayers; sentinel, Cyrus H. Parsons; trustee for three years, Sarah J. Brooks; first representative to grand lodge, Hattie A. Burrows; first alternate, Carrie E. Buxton; second representative, Cyrus W. Parsons; second alternate, Mabel E. Chapman; third representative, Anna T. True; third alternate, Caleb L. Smith.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL.

Lowell Nest, Order of Owls, will be instituted Sunday afternoon, Dec. 10th, at two o'clock, at Odd Fellows hall. This will be the last chance to go in as a charter member. The order has over 100,000 members and is growing rapidly. Nests are being formed all over the United States and foreign countries. It is destined to be one of the largest orders in the world. It furnishes sick, accident and funeral benefits, doctor and medicines at all times. It is a society of good fellows who believe in love, laughter and the kingdom of Heaven on earth. It teaches good cheer. It believes in helping its members in sickness and distress. The organizer will be at the hall Sunday morning from 10 to 12 to receive applications.

Tremont orchestra, Prescott, tonight.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

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$6.00 Sled $5.00
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Grover's Boot for tender feet.
Dolges Felt Romeos, Fur Trimmed.
Felt Slippers, warm as toast.
Beaver Leggins, for cold days.

FOR FATHER
Soft Hand Turned Slippers.
Three-Buckle Overshoes for stormy days
O'Sullivan's Arch Support Shoes. No more tired feet.
Rubber Boots. They come in handy.

FOR SISTER
Skating Boots. They'll please her.
Four-Buckle Overshoes. She'll appreciate your thoughtfulness.
Fur Trimmed Romeos. Pick out her favorite color.
Beaver Leggins, for cold days.

FOR BROTHER
Dress Shoes. We have his favorite style.
Three-Buckle Overshoes. He will need them this winter.
Kid Slippers, for nights when he is at home.
Skating Boots. They'll make him happy.

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18x27 inch, 75c value 50c
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118 Merrimack St. Up One Flight Over the White Store
No. 1 Store at 18 Prescott St. will also redeem this Coupon.

SHE IS NOT DEAD

Girl Shows Decree of Court to be Wrong

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 17.—Miss Nellie Burns, missing 11 years, and three days ago declared legally dead by the St. Louis circuit court, proved yesterday that the court's decree was wrong. As a consequence the girl's foster mother, Mrs. Annie Bosse, resigned letters of administration granted her by the probate court and caused the dismissal of a suit in which she had already won a judgment against a life insurance company.

Mrs. Bosse and Miss Burns met yesterday for the first time since Oct. 18, 1898, when Miss Burns disappeared. She was only eight years old then, but Mrs. Bosse declared herself satisfied as to the identity of the young woman.

It was supposed Nellie has been kidnapped, but her story disproved this.

"I was on my way to school with a girl about my own age," said Miss Burns, "when two men, my father and my uncle, seized me and placed me in a buggy and drove to a house on Dayton street. Father told me this was to be my home and that I would never see Mother Bosse again.

"I grieved over the change for a time then, like most children, forgot my troubles. A few years later we moved across the river to East St. Louis and when I became older I went to work in a department store."

The girl's father is Daniel Burns, an engineer. He and his wife were living apart when the latter died, directing that Nellie be given into the care of Mrs. Bosse.

Both Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Bosse had taken out insurance policies on the girl's life. These matured in 1905, but Mrs. Bosse waited until a few weeks ago before bringing suit. She won this case and the company appealed. Monday Judge Withrow of the circuit court sustained the finding of the lower tribunal that the girl was dead.

Accounts of the case appeared in the newspapers and thereupon Miss Burns' aunt telephoned to the company's attorneys the intelligence that her niece was alive. Affidavits to this effect were sworn to by her uncle and by Miss Burns herself.

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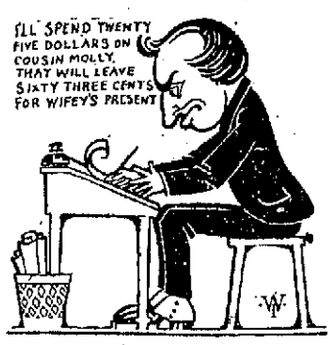
"Your mother-in-law's condition is more favorable, sir."

"For herself or me?"

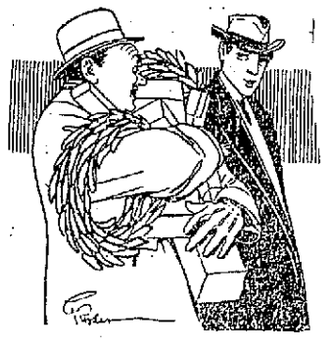
COLOR BLIND SANTA CLAUS.

The Parson. "I heah Santa Claus done fotched yo' a new baby brudder."
The Kid: "Yaas, but it jes' seems lak he always picks out de blackes' babies for us."



IMPECUNIOUS.

As Christmas nears
How time does fly!
The days are short,
And so am I.



STILL SLAVING.

"Hello, Brang! Glad to see you getting ready for Christmas. Who are you working for nowadays?"

"Same wife."

HOW UNLUCKY!

Johnny—That's Mrs. Parkslope. She's looking very cross.

Tommy—So would any woman in her place.

Johnny—Why, how's that?

Tommy—Her husband won $5,000 at the races the other day and gave her the choice of a diamond necklace or a motor. She took a week to decide which she wanted most, and while she was thinking he went to the races again and lost the $5,000 and more.

MAKING A GIFT WORK.

Bad Boy Jinks: "What you bawlin' for now, Cry Baby Binks?"
Cry Baby Binks: "Mam's usin' my new jumpin' jack for an egg beater."

THE SADDEST OF ALL.

The Kid—An' to think that I bought pa that cane for a birthday present!

WOULDN'T TASTE IT.

Customer (to restaurant proprietor)—Now, frankly, what do you think of that egg?

Proprietor—Well, sir, it sounds all right.

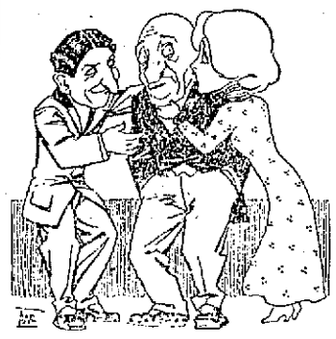
SINGING A JOYFUL CHRISTMAS CAROL.

A PRUDENT PRECAUTION.

"I saw Miss Wrinkles at market today, but she was disguised."

"What for?"

"She was buying mistletoe and evidently didn't want the fact to get out."



TRIMMING.

"Are you going to help trim the Christmas tree?"

"No; this year we are all pooling our efforts in trimming father."

MR. MEERSCHAUM AND HIS CHRISTMAS PRESENT.

December 25.

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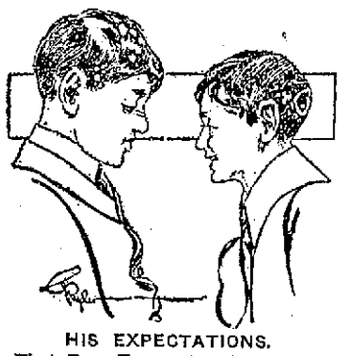
CHRISTMAS SYMPATHY.

Harold—I got a dreadful fall. All these Christmas bundles of yours—

Marion—Oh, Harold, did you fall on the bundles?



HIS EXPECTATIONS.

First Boy—Expect to get much for Christmas?

Second Boy—Yep, but I expect I won't get nothing like wot I expect.

AFRAID TO LOOK.

Bootblack—Shine your boots, sir?

Male Object—No!

Bootblack—Shine 'em so as yer can see your face in 'em, sir.

Male Object—No, I tell you!

Bootblack—Coward!

A Real Possimist.

Squire — You can't grumble at the market for pigs just now. They're fetching a good price.

Old Tenant Farmer—Well, as far as that do go, I suppose they be, but think what a price they be to buy.

Stung!

Gertie — Do you know anything about flirting?

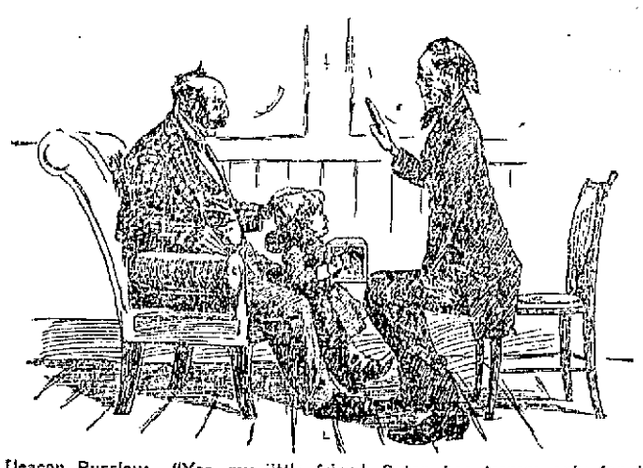
Gus (sadly) — No; I thought I did, but when I tried it the girl married me.

A Possible Cause.

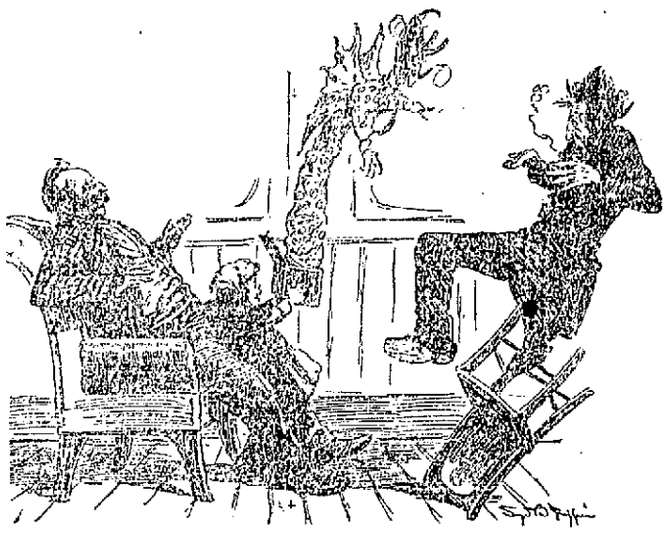
"We're going to have a cold winter."

"What do you expect when they go disturbing the north pole?"

A CHRISTMAS SURPRISE.



Deacon Pussley: "Yes, my little friend, Satan has terrors only for the wicked. A good boy or man need have no fear of"—



"The devil!"

Naturally.

Meeker — Just one year ago today I led my wife to the altar.

Bleeker — You did, eh?

Meeker — Yes, and then and there my leadership ended.

On the Contrary.

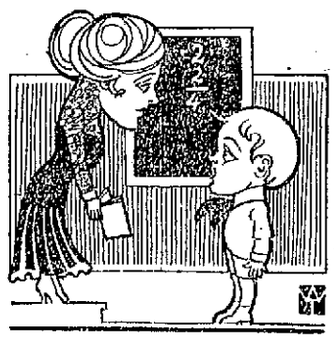
His Friend—Hello, old man. So you've taken it up too, have you?

The Inventor (owner of a flying machine that will not fly)—On the contrary!

His Wife's Value.

"The preacher that married you says you gave him only a dollar."

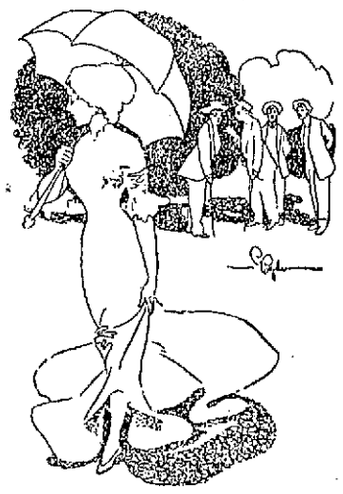
"He ought to be glad I didn't sue him for damages."



LIMITED BELIEF.

Teacher—Of course you believe in Santa Claus, don't you, Freddy?

Freddy—Yes, ma'am. I always do just before Christmas.



JUST DUDES.

Reggy — Deah boy, what did Miss Quick say about us chappies.

Cholly—Why, she said you reminded her so much of the autumn leaves.

Reggy—Ah, because we are so brilliant?

Cholly — No; because there are so many dead ones among you.

A LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS.

Never mind the chimney
When you come, oh, generous soul!
Just drop around the basement way
And leave a ton of coal.

A CHRISTMAS HINT.

Jack—I took Bella skating last night and told her to cut the figure 8 on the ice.

Ruth—And did she?

Jack—No, but she cut the most perfect image of a solitaire engagement ring you ever saw in your life.

BOBBY PLAYS SANTA CLAUS

Papa: "So you want a quarter for a Christmas present for a poor boy, Bobby? All right, here it is."

Bobby (to the "poor boy"): "Here's the quarter I promised you if you would lick the kid who hit me yesterday. Go for him!"

THEY CAME BACK.

"Scribs sent out ten poems entitled 'A Merry Christmas' or 'Happy New Year.'"

"How did he make out?"

"Oh, he got many returns."

WORKING OVERTIME.

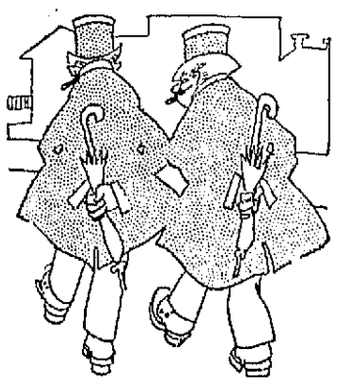
Colonel Gray: "Well, Uncle Jasper, I see you have your Christmas turkey. You must have been working right hard lately to be able to get such a fine fellow as that."

Uncle Jasper: "Yas, sah; right wuk mos'ly."

HE WAS IMMUNE.

"Did you find yourself embarrassed while in Europe by your lack of acquaintance with the French language?"

"No, indeed not. I think I suffered less embarrassment than the other folks. I couldn't tell half the time what they were blushing about."



RUTHLESS INTERROGATORS.

"I hate people who pry into personal affairs."

"With whom do you expect trouble, customs inspectors or census takers?"

DO AS A SUBSTITUTE.

The Assistant—Our tattooed man is sick.

Museum Manager—Well, we ought to be able to find a football player with enough black and blue spots on him to do as a substitute.

LIVELY CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Smiley: "Glitterin' angels! Fiddsey, what yer got dere?"

Fiddsey: "I'm deliverin' de Christmas presents what was bought at de animal shop."

DUST FROM STREETS

Is Said to be a Cause of Consumption

Some time ago the board of health sent a communication to the mayor, requesting that the streets in the centre of the city be thoroughly washed not less than once a week. Since then the streets have been washed a few times, but not sufficiently often to keep down the dust. When a strong wind blows great clouds of dust go up from the streets, choking and blinding everybody and everything in sight.

The annoyance of street dust, which is especially noticeable on improved pavements, such as Middlesex, Central, Merrimack and Bridge streets, is apparent to all. The injurious results from it have been the subject of more or less investigation during the past few years, and the bureau of labor has just issued a bulletin which deals with the mortality from consumption in certain occupations and includes among these those involving unusual exposure to municipal street dust.

Dust from Street

In the New York Medical Journal for 1904 it was stated that five years' work as a street cleaner in New York was said to make the average individual a consumptive, in spite of the fact that upon employment he was supposed to be free from tuberculosis or any organic disease.

The action of street dust is further described by Dr. W. Gilman Thompson in the New York Medical Journal as follows:

"When thus automized and inhaled it acts injuriously upon all the sensitive mucous membranes of the respiratory passages, partly through mechanical irritation and trauma and partly by conveying to them and imbedding in their folds a great variety of germs. These germs are not necessarily those of specific diseases such as the pneumococcus or bacillus tuberculosis, for such germs are known to be killed by conditions of prolonged exposure to dryness and sunlight, whereas moisture proves favorable to their longevity. But sufficient non-specific germs are conveyed by street dust to excite catarrhal or purulent inflammations; and by thus fostering a chronically diseased or irritated condition of the respiratory passages, the latter are rendered liable to more serious infections. The pulmonary tissue thus irritated invites an invasion of the bacilli to which the street cleaner, in his unsanitary tenements and other unhygienic environments, is as much exposed as anybody else."

THE BROKAW CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Members of Mrs. Mary Brokaw's family came to her aid today in her legal contest for a separation from her wealthy husband, W. G. Brokaw, and distressing occurrences in the unhappy married life of the couple were detailed on the stand by sympathetic witnesses for the attractive plaintiff. Miss Eloide Blair, whose brilliant eyes are as captivating as her sister and whose wil is declared to be as keen, came to court with Mrs. Brokaw today. Her story was intended to supplement that which J. Billard Blair, the brother, told late yesterday when he described hysterical manifestations on his sister's part after she had been warned by Mr. Brokaw at table to cease looking at a certain man, and other unpleasant occurrences.

THE BATTLESHIP NEBRASKA

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The battleship Nebraska, according to information at the navy yard today, will not leave here until the early part of next week. Her destination is supposed to be Hampton Roads.

A report that the Nebraska has been ordered to Nicaragua could not be confirmed today. The battleship received sailing orders yesterday, but her departure has been delayed by the necessity of reloading a quantity of ammunition which was received from the ship only a few hours before the receipt of sailing orders.

MRS. HORACE TAFT DEAD

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—The body of Mrs. Horace D. Taft of Watertown, Conn., who died at Johns Hopkins hospital here yesterday, left here on a New York train over the Pennsylvania railroad this morning, accompanied by Mr. Taft who is a brother of the president. Mrs. Taft came to the hospital here a short time ago for treatment. She began to improve following an operation and later went to Florida to recuperate. Shortly afterwards, however, a return of the ailment compelled her to return to the hospital.

DIVIDEND FOR EMPLOYES

FITCHBURG, Dec. 17.—Several hundred employes of Crocker, Burbank & Co.'s paper mills here will be given five per cent. of the wages earned through the year as a dividend. The announcement effects the men who have been employed by the firm two years or more. The dividends will vary from $25 to $60, according to the rate of wages paid.

FOUR PERSONS KILLED

COLUMBUS, Ga., Dec. 17.—Four persons were killed and a number of others injured this morning when a Central of Georgia passenger train collided with a passenger train on the Macon and Birmingham road at Harris City, Ga.

TO MODIFY FOOTBALL RULES

OXFORD, Miss., Dec. 17.—Delegates to the annual meeting of the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic association here last night practically agreed that an appeal would be made in the form of resolutions asking the rules committee to modify on many forms conditions governing football.

JUDGE FOUND DEAD

KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Supreme Court Justice George Fitts of Albany was found dead in bed at the Eagle hotel this morning. He had been presiding at the trial term here.

TEXTILE NOTES

What the Fraternities Are Doing

Thursday afternoon the Alembric society, a society to promote high grade standing among the chemistry and dyeing students held the regular monthly meeting. Papers on the dyeing of leather were read by Messrs. Putnam, Stronach and Sleeper. The society has issued a circular which contains the program of the year. In the December meeting there will be read a thesis on the tanning and dyeing of leather. In the January meeting on the dyeing of capes, straw, feathers and fur. In the February meeting on the early methods of dyeing, and duties of a mill chemist. In the March meeting the manufacture of ink and the manufacture of color lakes and paints. The speaker and subject for the April meeting will be announced later. The last meeting will be held in May, at which time comes the fourth annual meeting and dinner. This society was organized Nov. 10, 1906.

All students to be eligible to this society must be regular day students of the chemistry and dyeing course.

A society was organized Wednesday among the students of the design course to be known as the Little Umps. The object of this society is to better the members on the study of design. The officers are: E. K. Hale, president; F. C. Nettel, vice president; and G. K. Ferrin, secretary treasurer.

Basketball

Saturday the basketball team lines up against the Boston college five. This team gave Textile a good game last year. The game Wednesday showed the weak places in the team and the rest of the week has been devoted to remedying these. The freshmen showed up well in the game as well and it is likely that a few of them may be tried out in the game on the first team. At the same time on Saturday the Freshmen will line up against Nashua High Alumni. This team is a very fast combination and promises to make the Freshmen travel fast if they wish to win. Several new features were introduced at the last game which were very successful and pleasing. One of these was the well organized cheering. It is quite a while since such good cheering and singing has been heard at any textile game. Its effect was shown by the way in which the team came back when the students began their cheering. Another new feature is the introduction of score cards, by which the students may follow the score and the baskets of the players.

The New York State club held a meeting recently and elected the following officers: John T. Brady, Jr., of Albany, president; J. Price Morris of Utica, vice president, and Samuel A. McCleary of Amsterdam, secretary treasurer. Mr. Hurlutdo was elected an associate member.

A committee was appointed to arrange for a banquet.

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Friday evening the Delta Kappa Phi fraternity gave an informal social and dance at the Fraternity house. Dancing was enjoyed from eight until a little after ten o'clock at the Vesper Boat club, when the party went to the Fraternity house, where refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed. The chaperons were Miss Grace Cummock and Mrs. Arthur Ferguson.

Prescott hall to let Sat. evenings.

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FIVE GIRLS MISSING

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—At least five girls who were employed in the six-story building occupied by Schrack and Sherwood, manufacturers of undertakers' supplies, which was burned last night, are missing today and it is feared they lost their lives. One fireman, Joseph Toner, was killed while searching for the missing women.

A score of persons sustained burns and other minor injuries.

FIFTEEN MEN INJURED

SANDY HILL, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Fifteen men were injured today in a fire which destroyed the Delaware & Hudson Railway freight depot here. Several firemen and spectators were crushed under falling timbers but all except one are believed to have escaped fatal injuries. The loss is about $20,000.

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JAIL SENTENCE

Man Swore at Police Court Judge

BANGOR, Dec. 17.—Swearing at a police court judge and calling him names in Polish resulted in a sentence of six months in jail for contempt of court for Frank Miller, a Polish boarding house keeper, by Judge Harding of the police court yesterday.

A case was on trial in which a Pole accused another of passing a confederate $50 bill for genuine. The evidence placed the scene in the house of Frank Miller, where witnesses testified a poker game was in progress.

Miller had a suspended sentence over him. After the first trial, Judge Harding ordered Miller arraigned for keeping a gambling house and sentenced him to 60 days in jail.

As Miller was leaving the court room yesterday he paused in front of the judge, and pointing his hand to his honor launched out a tirade in Polish. The court interpreter, Max Cohen, translated the oratory into English, and the judge gave Miller six months additional in jail, making eight in all.

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LEGAL NOTICES

To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents Thomas Aiken, of Lowell, in said County, that he was lawfully married to Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken, now of Manchester, in the State of New Hampshire, at Lowell, on the third day of June, A. D. 1908, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Lowell; that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken, being wholly regardless of the same, at Nashua, in the State of New Hampshire, on or about the fifteenth day of May, 1909, committed the crime of adultery with Thomas Garkis, but at what particular place the libellant is unable more particularly to state; and on divers other days between his said marriage with her and this date committed the crime of adultery with other men whose names are unknown to the libellant.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Jessie M. (Hardwick) Aiken.

Dated this twenty-seventh day of November, A. D. 1909.

THOMAS AIKEN,
JAMES E. O'DONNELL, Attorney.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, Dec. 3, A. D. 1909.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of January next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libellee as set out in the libel, that she may then and there show cause, if any she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

And that an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon be sent by registered letter fourteen days at least before said return day to the last known residence of said Thomas Garkis, the person with whom adultery is alleged to have been committed, or where such residence is unknown, to the place where the adulterous act is alleged to have been committed.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,
THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

LOST AND FOUND

GOLD CRESCENT PIN lost somewhere between Bartlett and Walnut sts. The finder will be rewarded by leaving it at 60 Bartlett st.

EYEGLASSES in case, lost between F. S. Bunting mill and Epping st. Tuesday. Reward at 89 Epping st.

SMALL SUM OF MONEY lost Monday night, between Church st. and Knox's 5 and 10 cent store. Reward for return to 394 Concord st.

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THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

Food Sale

In aid of the First Universalist church will be held at Derby & Morse's store, 64 Middle St., from 3 to 5 o'clock, Saturday afternoon.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
5.46	6.50	6.14	7.18
a6.27	7.41	7.05	8.05
b6.44	7.53	8.15	9.01
6.49	7.80	9.00	9.89
7.01	8.00	10.00	10.36
7.28	8.05	b10.21	11.84
s7.31	8.50	11.30	12.07
7.44	8.35	12.00	12.56
8.48	9.25	1.00	1.87
8.56	9.85	2.00	8.04
b8.07	10.16	3.00	3.37
9.38	10.24	b3.51	5.09
10.45	11.40	4.00	4.37
11.38	12.20	s4.14	5.80
12.12	1.00	5.00	5.37
1.46	2.30	b5.21	6.23
2.41	3.33	5.38	6.28
3.57	4.40	b5.51	7.05
4.28	5.30	s6.14	7.30
5.20	6.15	7.30	8.08
b6.10	7.19	8.30	9.08
6.28	7.10	10.30	11.34
7.36	8.20	11.17	11.55
9.50	10.80	11.20	12.16

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston Lve.	To Boston Arr.	From Boston Lve.	From Boston Arr.
6.46	7.55	x7.00	8.10
8.04	8.55	7.30	8.62
9.50	10.50	9.24	10.89
10.50	11.55	10.55	11.52
12.05	1.10	11.50	12.34
z1.30	2.36	2.14	3.20
3.10	4.14	3.30	4.30
4.50	5.34	4.59	5.56
5.06	6.08	6.08	7.08
7.00	8.00	6.35	7.45
9.35	10.38	9.35	10.33
		x11.25	12.21

SUNDAY TRAINS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

6.49	7.30	9.00	10.00
7.22	8.05	10.00	10.50
7.55	8.35	11.30	12.07
8.48	9.49	1.00	1.57
9.20	10.15	5.00	6.02
10.30	11.33	7.30	8.08
2.25	3.19	8.30	9.08
5.10	6.00	9.00	10.02
6.28	7.10	10.14	10.52
7.36	8.20	10.29	11.35

SUNDAY TRAINS

WESTERN DIVISION

8.20	9.20	8.00	9.08
12.10	1.15	12.00	1.00
3.50	5.00	2.14	3.23
5.45	7.00	3.30	4.41
8.50	10.02	5.20	6.38
		6.40	9.42

References:

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FUNERAL NOTICES

CLOUTMAN—Died, Dec. 16th, at the Soldiers' Home, Togus, Me., Charles Cloutman, aged 79 years. Funeral services will be held at the Edson cemetery chapel, Saturday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock. Friends invited without further notice. Undertaker George W. Healey in charge.

McDERMOTT—The funeral of Miss Minnie McDermott, will take place tomorrow afternoon at 1.30 o'clock from the funeral parlors of Undertaker John A. Finnegan. Burial will be in the family lot in the Edson cemetery in charge of Undertaker John A. Finnegan.

PIERCE—The funeral of Margaret Jane Pierce will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the home of her parents, 91 Arch street. Burial will be in the family lot in the Edson cemetery, in charge of Undertaker John A. Finnegan.

FENDERSON—The funeral of George Stillman Fenderson will take place at 1.30 Sunday afternoon from his residence, 220 Westford street. Friends invited. Burial will be private. J. A. Weinbeck, undertaker.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

A very pleasant affair took place at the home of Miss Grace M. Robinson, being the occasion of her 21st birthday, No. 1 Hereford place, Thursday night. During the evening she was presented with a gold locket and chain by her many friends, the presentation address being made by Miss Effie Leslie. Miss Robinson responded in an able manner. Refreshments were served and a general good time followed.

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SUICIDAL MANIA

May be Defense in the Snead Murder Case

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The suicidal mania of Ocey Snead is apparently the defense relied upon by the three sisters of the Wardlaw family arrested in connection with her mysterious death.

Despite the fact that prison bars now hold all the women members of the family in which the bath tub victim lived when she was either slowly grieving herself to death over the disappearance of her husband, as Mrs. Caroline Martin, her mother, insists, or was being systematically starved and mentally influenced into a state of helplessness, as is one of the police theories, the mysterious death of Ocey Snead seemed today as little nearer actual solution than when the first discoveries were made in the case.

"We starve her?" exclaimed Mrs. Martin, Ocey's mother, in commenting on the police suggestion. "We all loved her more than our lives. That was one of the ways in which she intended to do away with herself if no other fashion offered."

Mrs. Martin who was arrested yesterday and held to await extradition to New Jersey insists that the suicide notes found in her hotel room were all written by Ocey while she was grieving over the disappearance of Fletcher Snead, her husband, and that she had to be constantly watched to prevent her taking her own life. The thought of suicide became a mania with the girl, her mother asserts.

The comment that 'daily developing facts' throw no light on the bath tub mystery without 'illuminating it seems to hold good in connection with Mrs. Martin's reported assertion that Virginia Wardlaw, aunt of the victim, and the first person apprehended in the case, knowing that her niece intended self-destruction, lingered in the lower part of the East Orange house where the tragedy occurred, fearing a gruesome discovery when she went upstairs.

Mrs. Mary Snead who was taken in custody late yesterday maintained a reticent attitude in her cell in the Tombs prison where she spent the night and a statement from her was hardly expected until her arraignment, which has been set for tomorrow.

Fletcher Snead who has been located in St. Catherines, Ont., aside from expressing an opinion that his wife was a suicide, had nothing to reveal in helping clear up the mystery. Prosecutor Mott of Essex county declares that he does not seek Snead's apprehension.

Handwriting experts are expected to play a prominent part in the case and today were giving careful scrutiny to the mass of documents unearthed in the investigation, particular attention being paid to the "suicide" and other notes and letters found in Mrs. Martin's apartments.

SHORTEN THE CHRISTMAS JOURNEY

We doubt if there is a single family representative in Lowell or in the neighboring towns who is now doing the annual Christmas hunt for "something," but that could at once find a quick selection of a most suitable gift at the Lowell Gas Light company's appliance store on John street. Something useful, too. Something that will serve for years. A very wide range of prices fitted to an exceedingly wide range of lamp goods. A beautiful display. Come in and look. No one is made uncomfortable if they do not purchase. Come in and see with a good light what a good light is.

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FUNERALS

ROHAN—The funeral of the late Timothy Rohan took place this morning at 9 o'clock from his home and was largely attended. The cortege proceeded to St. Patrick's church where at 9.45 o'clock a mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Fr. Callahan. The choir under the direction of Mr. Michael Johnson sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered. The bearers were Maurice O'Connor, Patrick Stack, Stephen Brosnahan and Timothy Kennedy. At the grave Rev. Fr. Callahan read the committal prayers and the burial was in the Catholic cemetery in charge of Undertaker Thomas A. Saunders.

GOYETTE—The funeral of George Goyette took place yesterday morning from his home in South Lowell, with solemn funeral services at St. Joseph's church. Rev. Frs. Barette, Graton and Amyot, O. M. I., officiated. The choir sang Perrault's mass, Frank Gourdeau directing, and Joseph A. Bernard playing the organ. At the offertory Miss Anna Bourassa sang Leybach's "Pie Jesu." Frank Gourdeau sang "O Christi." At the end of the mass the choir sang "De Profundis." The bearers were Joseph and Albert Gendreau, Jas. David, Arthur Lacombe, Arthur Marchildon and Arthur Dumont. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, and Rev. Fr. Barette, O. M. I., officiated at the grave. Undertaker Joseph Albert had charge.

DUFFY—The funeral of the late Thomas Duffy, one of Centralville's oldest and most highly esteemed Catholic residents, took place this morning from his home, 24 Riverside avenue, and was largely attended, many of the older families of that section being in attendance at the funeral services, which were held at St. Michael's church. High mass of requiem was sung by Rev. Francis Mullin and the choir, under the direction of Thomas P. Boulger, rendered the Gregorian mass, the solos being sustained by Mr. Boulger and Mrs. James A. Murphy. Miss Carolyn White presided at the organ. Among those from out of town at the services were Mrs. Sarah McQuinn and daughter and James Duffy and daughter of Wilkesbarre, Pa., Mr. Edward Duffy of Brooklyn, N. Y., Mr. Miles Feerick and family of Roxbury, Mass., and Mr. James Feerick of New Bedford, Mass. The bearers were Messrs. Devine, O'Neil, Davlin and John Cawley. The remains were interred in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery, where the prayers at the grave were read by Rev. Fr. Mullin. Burial was under the direction of C. H. Molloy & Sons.

BUZZELL—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Buzzell took place this morning from her late home, 139 Cushing street, and was very largely attended. A funeral high mass was celebrated by Rev. Joseph Curtin in St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. The Gregorian chant was rendered by the choir. M. J. Johnson was the organist and choir director. The solos were rendered by Miss Alice Murphy and Andrew McCarthy. The burial was in the Catholic cemetery. The bearers were Michael Mitchell, W. H. McCabe, M. Dailey, Ed. Tobin, Wm. Mitchell, J. Pinneau and M. Savage. Rev. Fr. Curtin read the prayers at the grave. There were many floral offerings. C. H. Molloy & Sons had charge.

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DEATHS

MAHONEY—Mrs. Ellen Mahoney, an old resident of this city, died today at her home, 6 New street. She leaves to mourn her loss, two daughters, Mrs. Maurice O'Connor of Milford, N. H., and Mrs. Daniel Twomey of this city, one son Dennis, one sister, Mrs. Nora Curtin of this city, and three brothers, Timothy Lyons of Lowell and two in Ireland. She was a member of the Married Ladies' sodality of St. Peter's parish. Funeral notice later.

HUNTON—Luman L. Hunton of East Livermore, Me., died Dec. 11. He leaves one son, Adelbert E. of East Livermore, two brothers, J. G. Hunton of this city, and Albert H. Hunton of East Livermore, Me., two sisters, Mrs. Eliza E. Stevens of Pepperell, Mass., and Mrs. John L. Stevens of this city, one grandchild, Mrs. Bertha Hunton Pomeroy, and one great-grandchild. Mr. Hunton formerly lived in Lowell.

FENDERSON—After a lingering illness, George Stillman Fenderson died early this morning at his home, 220 Westford street, aged 59 years 3 months and 7 days. All that medical skill could do was done for him, but was of no avail. Mr. Fenderson was well known in Lowell. For 45 years he had been employed in the Lowell Machine shop, much of the time as overseer. He was an active member of St. Paul's M. E. church, having been superintendent of St. Paul's Sunday School, and having filled other positions of trust in that church. As a member of Oberlin lodge, I. O. O. F., he held the position of treasurer for 20 years. He was past regent of Lowell council, Royal Arcanum, and past councillor of Greenhalge council, Loyal association. He was also a member of Washington Commandery, Golden Cross, and a director of the Middlesex Co-operative bank. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Ralph W. Emerson of Chelmsford, and two brothers, Charles H. and Edward J., both of Lowell.

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